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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1979 JEDDAH MOHARRAM 29, 1400 A.H.

CARACAS, Dec. 17 (Agencies) — The 13-nation Organization of Petroleum

Exporting Countries convened here Monday

with Saudi Arabia's Oil Minister Sheikh

Ahmad Zaki Yamani saying his country

would not raise its prices next year beyond

Yamani, said " not at all, " when asked if

he expected a price increase to come out of

Saudi Arabia, along with several other OPEC nations, last week raised its price from

Yamani, asked if a further increase was planned, said, " never." He also said his

country would maintain production at 9.5

The meeting opened here Monday with a

plea from Venezuelan President Luis Herr-

era campaigning for OPEC unity to defeat

the chaos of the international spot market for

" Our most important task is to organize

the international petroleum market. "Her-

era told the oil ministers." The present con-

fusion and lack of discipline in the markets is

Venezuela, which this week admitted to

selling small quantities of its own oil on the

spot market this year, estimates that eight

million barrels a day have been traded in the

Though Herrera blamed the multinational

oil companies for the high volumes of spot

sales, he made clear in his speech that he feels it is OPEC's responsibility to eliminate the control over oil prices that is being exerted by

the spot market. He appealed to the ministers

to agree on a unified price structure at their

OPEC unity on prices looked a much more

formidable task Monday than it had even a

armings earlier. As the oil ministers of the

North African producers responded to last

ezuela, Abu Dhabi and Qatar, the large price

differentials in OPEC crudes emerged once

Libyan Oil Minister Ezzedin Mabrouk

announced on Sunday night that his country

was immediately raising its own price to\$ 30 a

barrel. He said that this week's conference

should agree on a benchmark price for 1980

of\$ 34 a barrel for Saudi Arabian light crude.

Saudi Arabia's lead in increasing prices prior

to the meeting in an attempt to head off a

major pricing confrontation. Before the

increases, Saudi Arabia was selling oil at \$ 18

Venezuela, Abu Dhabi and Qatar followed

not favorable to our organization."

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meeting here this week.

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the current \$ 24 a barrel level.

the OPEC's session.

\$ 18 to \$ 24 a barrel.

million barrels daily.

Sarkis sends King message

> RIYADH, Dec. 17 (SPA) — King Khaled Monday received a message of congratula-tions on the end of the siege at the Holy Haram from Lebanese President Elias Sar-

of greetings

He also received a message from Bangladesh President Zia-ul-Rahman.

The Lebanese message included congratu-lations to King Khaled from the Lebanese leader, government and people on the sucessful end to the occupation of the Holy Haram in Mecca.

It was conveyed by Minister of Labor Nazem Al-Oaderi and Minister of Education Boutros Harb, who arrived in the Kingdom Sunday and returned home to Beirut Mon-

day.

Crown Prince Fahd, Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah, Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan, special adviser Dr. Rashad Pharaon and Minister of Labor and Social Affairs Sheikh Ibrahim Abdullah Al-Angari attended the meeting with the Lebanese envoys.

The pair had been received at the airport here Sunday by Sheikh Ibrahim and a representative of Royal Protocol.

The message from the Bangladesh leader was delivered to the King by the country's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Rashid Chowdhury. Its contents were not disclosed.

The meeting with the ambassador was attended by Crown Prince Fahd and Dr.



The King also Monday received Al-Sharif ibn Nasser, head of the foreign press department at the Jordanian Ministry of Informa-

No details of the meeting were disclosed. It was also attended by Crown Prince Fahd. Prince Abdullah and Prince Sultan.

Nasser arrived here Sunday evening and was met at the airport by a representative from Royal Protocol.

Earlier in the day, before his meetings with



King Khaled

the foreign dignataries, King Khaled received a large number of Saudi citizens who continue to come to the royal palace at Al-Maathar to offer their congratulations on the end of the siege at the mosque and its liberation from the hands of the renegades.

The King also received the Ulema and



hostages say they will deliver the mail after checking it.

country's relations with all the other people

policy toward Iran before deciding whether

Four men executed in Baghdad

including two senior officials, have been hanged in Baghdad after being convicted of Agency reported.

and property of all six men, the agency added. The men, executed Sunday, included a former under-secretary for irrigation, Said

The other two were an agricultural consultant, Qarani Rafik Tewfik Al-Dougharmaji, and a businessman, Nadim Muhammad

Sentenced to life imprisonment were a lawyer, Ghazi Kamel Mehdi Al-Bayati, and the chief of the legal section of the central statistics department, Taher Suleiman Wali Al-Dabbagh.

at the investigation, which he said would be conducted by an international tribunal. But he said they would be witnesses, rather than defendants.

Qotbzadeh said the hostages were being well treated and would not be harmed.

He said Catholic and Protestant clergymen would be allowed to conduct Christmas services for the hostages at the embassy and they would also be allowed to have a Christmas tree and receive gifts from their families.

The minister said the departure of the ex-Shah was a victory for Iran because it showed there was no place for dictators like the Shah to live.

Qotbzadeh has received Ayatollah Khomeini's approval for an international commission of inquiry to examine Washington's links with the former Shah's administration and "put America on trial" for 26 years of alleged interference in Iranian affairs.

The commission, at which Qotbzadeh expects some of the hostages to give evidence, may begin work by the end of this month. The foreign minister has stressed this idea as a possible way of avoiding actually putting the hostages before an Islamic revolutionary court, as the students have

there is no trial."

But the students were adamant. A spokesman for them said, "No hostage will be released before the trial. There is no discussion about releasing anyone before Christmas or because of it. We have not changed our stand. All the hostages must be put on Qotbzadeh also mentioned two possible

said Nobel peace prize-winning Irish dip-Paris Bar Association were likely to take a barrel while Libya and other North African producers were selling their oil for \$ 26.27 a

OPEC conference opened

Yamani says no to further

boost above \$24 per barrel

Instead of closing the price differential, however, the strategy of the four moderate states seems to have provoked the others to also raise prices before the meeting has even begun. In addition to Libya, Iran and Indonesia also announced price hikes for 1979, Sunday. Iran was not specific, but indonesia's new price is \$ 25.50 a barrel, an

# Mosque siege will not alter Kingdom's policy

RIYADH, Dec. 17(SPA) - Saudi Arabia will not change its policy of accelerated development because of the incident at the Holy Haram in Mecca, Crown Prince Fahd told the Council of Ministers here Monday

The Mecca incident will not be allowed to change the Kingdom's policies at home where it is the guardian of the Islamic faith or abroad, he said. In his report to the council session he said

that investigations are proceeding into the attack on Islam's holiest shrine, and that the results will be announced soon.

The renegades who took part in the mosque takeover are undergoing interrogation, people of Saudi Arabia closer to their leaders, and he prayed for the peaceful repose of those who lost their lives defending the Holy Haram from the renegades.

However, as he did earlier this week, he took the foreign news media to task for its reporting on the incident.

Foreign newspapers, agencies and broadcasters tried in every way they could to hurt the Kingdom's image, he said, but regardless of what methods they use, Saudi Arabia's foes will not succeed in their attacks. In addition to hearing from Prince Fahd,

who chaired the meeting, the council approved a number of civil service appoint-

#### Saudi-Swiss talks ended

RIYADH, Dec. 17 (SPA) - The Saudi-Swiss Joint Commission on Economic Cooperation wound up its annual meeting here Monday and delegations from both countries

They said the result will be greater Saudi-Swiss cooperation in fields such as manpower development and the building of joint industrial ventures.

The meeting was chaired by Vinister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Algosaibi and Swiss Economy Minister Fritz Honegger. After the meeting, Saudi Arabian Basic

Industries Corp. chairman Abdul Aziz Al-Zamel said the commission discussed cooperation in industry, commerce, health and telecommunications.

He said that talks centered in particular on the need to establish joint ventures in industry, contracting and maintenance.

He added that the commission discussed in detail plans for Swiss training of Saudis to work in industry and that the Swiss delegation expressed readiness to provide training

He added that the Swiss expressed their willingness to urge businessmen to set up more industrial projects in the Kingdom in cooperation with Saudi firms.

Both sides noted the rapid increase in trade relations between the two states, he said. And he said the two delegations reached

agreement on establishing an exhibition of Swiss products in Jeddah next year. The Saudi delegation also asked the Swiss

to examine the feasibility of establishing maintenance centers in major Saudi cities to care for machinery and equipment imported from Switzerland.



GIFTS: A sack of gifts for the American hostages being delivered by an Iranian postal worker to the U.S. embassy in Tehran early Monday. Iranian students holding the 50

in the future. It's not good for Iran and that on earth.

Qotbzadeh said Iran would first hold a grand jury investigation of the Shah and U.S.

any of the hostages would be tried.
"At this time no trial will go and what will happen is the grand jury investigation," he

He said some of the hostages might testify

BAGHDAD, Dec. 17 (R) - Four men, receiving bribes from foreign firms and offer-. ing them secret information, the Iraqi News It said two men were sentenced to life

imprisonment on the same charges. The court ordered confiscation of the funds

Malek-Al-Ali, and the chief engineer at the ministry, Naji Abdul-Fattah Al-Rawi.

Tayeb Al-Huweiz.

Qotbzadeh said Sunday night "I hope

members of his commission of inquiry. He lomat Sean Macbride and the president of the

#### Abdullah sees wounded troops

RIYADH, Dec. 17 (SPA) - Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah Monday visited soldiers wounded during the fighting at the Holy Haram

The prince's visit followed similar visit by King Khaled, Crown Prince Fabd and Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan to the 200 Saudi troops wounded in the fighting which ended Dec. 4.

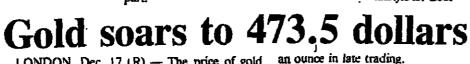
The prince's visit was one of a number of steps which has been taken by the Saudi government and Royal Family to express its thanks to the men killed or wounded in the fighting at the Grand Mosque. Officials have said that the families

of the 65 Saudi troops killed during the two weeks of fighting will be provided for, and those wounded will be given additional stipends in recognition of their dedication and courage. And a committee has been established under Minister of Public Works and Housing Prince Miteb to solicit donations for the families of the dead

soldiers, and at last report it had

raised more than SR20 million toward that goal. During the two weeks of fighting which began when a group of renegades stormed the mosque on Nov. 20, 170 of the renegades were captured and 75 of them — including the self-proclaimed "expected Mahdi" in whose name the attack was

launched — were killed. The Saudi troops who died in the fierce fighting have been lauded as martyrs for God.



LONDON, Dec. 17 (R) - The price of gold Monday went above \$ 470 an ounce for the first time ever as money markets expressed anxiety over what the OPEC conference now going on in Caracas might decide to do with the world price of

For several hours in a day of hectic trading, gold went to around \$ 473.50 an ounce, before slipping back slightly as speculators took profits by selling at

The metal was finally fixed at \$ 469.50 an ounce in the regular price-setting session on the key London bullion market Vionday afternoon - a record

After the fix, gold crept up again to around \$ 470

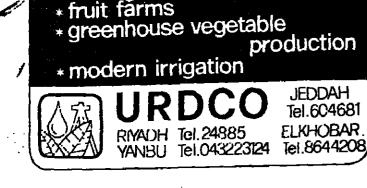
Only last week gold went through what was then the impressive record level of \$ 440 an ounce, breaking a record of \$ 437 set a price-fixing on

In Tokyo, the U.S. dollar see-sawed erratically on the Foreign exchange market monday.

The dollar, which fell to 238 yen after briefly touching 245 in early trading, closed at 239.60. This was down sharply from an opening rate of 244.50.

Dealers said the Bank of Japan, which has sold more than \$13 billion so far this year to support the yen, Monday sold a modest \$ 30 million when the rate approached 245 yen.





# Leaves for Jizan Friday Jazairi to inspect anti-malaria drive

of Health Dr. Hussain Al-Jazairi will leave here Friday for Jizan to inspect and supervise an antimalaria campaign there.

The Ministry of Health started an aerial insecticide spraying program Dec. 5. It will continue for a month, according to SPA

Monday. Meanwhile. Al -Riyadh newspaper reported Monday that the Ministry of Health will start work on a huge medical complex in Riyadh by the end of 1980. The complex will cost SR4.5 billion and involve four large hospitals.

An official of the Ministry of Health said that because of population increases in Riyadh the government has decided to build a general hospital, an eye hospital, a children's hospital and a women's hospital.

The ministry has drawn up studies for establishing similar medical complexes in the main Museum scheme

work starts soon JEDDAHL Dec,17 - Work on the central museum project in Rivadh will begin this week, Al -Riyadh has reported.

• The museum, which will cost SR500 million, will be in the form of an integrated archeological city or compound of various museums and utilities around a palace of King Abdul Aziz. More than 70 per cent of the land needed for the project has been expropriated and compensation is being paid.

Dr. Abdullah Masri, director general of Antiquities, told the paper that a contract will be let this week to a U.S. firm to draw up the designs of the museum.

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IF YOU LIKE SAILING, FISHING, DIVING OR **EXPLORING THE RED SEA** ON A MOTOR SAILER WITH AN EXPERIENCED SKIPPER PLEASE TEL: 50881 ,... struction has begun on some. The Riyadh Central Hospital will be converted to an emergency and casualty hospital.

Riyadh University has meanwhile been reported to be graduating its first group of women doctors from its Faculty of Medicine. The group has 31 women, now being trained at the university hospital.

An official in the Faculty of Medicine said that their course lasts six years, including one year for specialization, Final exams will be held in May and the whole group is expected to pass, he said.

A committee has meanwhile been set up of senior officials of the Ministry of Health to study bids by foreign companies and governments for staffing and run-ning some of the hospitals completed recently in its Five Hospitals project. A thorough report on the study of these proposals will be submitted to Dr. Jazairi.

The ministry will finish building 50 class A clinics in some cities and rural areas in February or March, Doctors and medical staff

have been contracted. Al -Jezirah said meanwhile that the ministry is mounting a polio vaccination campaign across the country. The first phase began Saturday, and continues for two weeks. The second will be between Jan. 12 and Jan. 27, and the last starts Feb. 9 and lasts two

JEDDAH, Dec. 17 - A deleg-

ation from the Turkish Federated

#### Cypriot team sees IDB head

States of Cyprus Monday met Islamic Development Bank President Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali. The team, led by Minister of Finance and Economy Makki Atun, arrived in Jeddah Sunday. Tuesday it will meet Organization of the Islamic Conference Secretary General Habib Chatti. Deputy Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammad Al-Sughair and Jeddah Chamber of Commerce President Sheikh Ismail Abu Dawood. It will then fly to Riyadh to meet the Saudi Fund for Development, according to the

Turkish embassy.



RIBBON: Vinister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Algosalbi and Swiss Economy Vinister Fritz Honegger dedicate the new factory of the Arab Plastic Company, a Saudi Arabian-Swiss joint venture, in Riyadh Sunday. The firm manufactures plastic articles, with the emphasis on piping.

#### Too dangerous, officials say Pick-ups banned as firms' transport

States.

traffic instructions.

JEDDAH, Dec. 17 - Companies have been banned from carrying workers in open pick-

Al -Bilad Vionday quoted Capt. Abdullah Al-Raqban, commander of general traffic at Jeddah's Traffic Department, as saying that both the driver and the firm concerned will be penalized if found transporting workers outside.

He said that a campaign had been launched against offenders, and that penalties will range upward from the confiscation of the truck and the arrest of the driver. After that the driver and his firm will have to pay a fine and undertake in writing that the offense will not be repeated.

He added that the decision was prompted by the disturbing number of accidents involving pickups, taking the lives of or causing injury to a large number of workers. The trucks often overturn or collide with other vehicles,

Meanwhile, 100 students at the Traffic Institute in Riyadh have ended 15 months of training and they and a further class of 300 students will join traffic departments across the Kingdom.

#### .Iizan soaked

RIYADH. Dec. 17 (SPA) -Heavy rains fell Saturday in and around Jizan.

He said that more trainees will Capt. Abdul Aziz Ali Albe sent to Arab and European Shater, the director of the institute, was quoted by Al-Riyadh countries and the United States Monday as saying that the graduafter a preliminary course at the ates were holders of inter-mediate and primary school cerinstitute. The institute had already sent 150 secondary school graduates to the United States. tificates. They included 45 students who attended a three-month training course in the United

Trainees who held secondary school leaving certificates received a SR3330 per month He said that all trainees at the institute had helped control traffic while studying, and those with during the Pilgrimage. Their intermediate school certificates course had covered traffic control, received a monthly salary of human relations, and how to deal SR2,950. Holders of primary with the public and brief people on school certificates received

#### Saudi Comment

By Abdul Ghani Qisti Al -Bilad

When we have at our disposal the necessary financial and human resources, the requirements of the age oblige us to use them in every field of human endeavor to lessen imports and strengthen ourselves toward self-sufficiency.

Our dependence on others has become a heavy burden. We have become the focus for the whole world and the target of all ambitions and whims. Development plans carried out by Arab coun-

tries, foremost among which is Saudi Arabia, are rich in big projects and moved by the desire to progress and develop to catch up with the modern age and join in the race of all countries and peoples.

There is no doubt that industrialization is a prominent factor toward improving the life of a nation. Technology is an efficient means to development. For this reason, no country wishing to strengthen itself and develop can do without advanced tech-

Deeply convinced of our need to expand industrialization in all its forms, we believe that military industrialization has to be given a special importance. This is imperative, especially that our requirements for that are now felt more strongly We cannot do without arms if we are to protect our land and interests.

We took it as a good augury when we read Sunday that intensive contacts were under way among the Gulf founder states of the Arab Organization for Industrialization to set up a similar Gulf organization, and that the executive steps of the project will be discussed within the coming three months. We also learnt that Riyadh will be the headquarters of the new organization. We wish it a good start and permanent success.

#### Mission coming soon

# Pakistani team to sell potatoes

sion from Pakistan will be visiting the Kingdom towards the end of the month to negotiate sales of citrus fruits and potatoes.

The Pakistani embassy said Monday that the nine-member mission, comprising businessmen and officials of the governmentsponsored Export Promotion Bureau, is led by a director of the Pakistan Trading Corporation, a state-owned organization handling foreign trade.

The mission is touring several Middle East states to promote the sales of fruits and potatoes. Their itinerary includes Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Abu Dhabi, Dubai and Muscat. The area has been a good market for Pakistani fruit and vegetables, and the mission will try to introduce more var-

Although it will be negotiating deals for all types of citrus fruits. particularly Kinoo, the main focus of attention will be boosting sales of potatoes in the region. The government has earmarked 25,000 tons for export from this harvest, but the target is expected to be

#### Naif warns on illegals

JEDDAH, Dec. 17 - Interior Minister Prince Naif has urged the Ministry of Education not to let schools and institutes accept any foreign students without residence permits. He asked that his ministry be informed of any student illegally in the Kingdom, Al-Jazirah reported Monday.

The export of Pakistani potato, like other vegetables and perishable fruits, has been handicapped by lack of transport. But the Pakistan Shipping Corporation has leased vessel to serve the Gulf alone.

Further improvement is expected when the corporation begins taking delivery of 19 cargo ships it has ordered to refurbish its aging fleet. It now has 48 ships with a total 564,112 deadweight tons, 41 dry cargo vessels and the

rest cargo-cum-passenger ships.
Despite the difficulties, though, Pakistan sent over 23,000 tons of potato last year to Middle East

States, including Saudi Arabia. The sales mission will stay in the

officials of the Commerce Vinistry, other departments, chambers of commerce and industry and businessmen.

dah. It will hold meetings with

#### Phone charges to be reduced

JEDDAH, Dec. 17 — Minister of PTT Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal has said that telephone charges inside the Kingdom will be reduced.

He told Al - Jerirah Sunday that the present charges were low in comparison with those of other countries, but charges would be cut once the microwave project is Kingdom for about two weeks, vis-iting Dammam, Riyadh and Jed-ing how far they can be reduced.

#### Abdul Wasie on visit

#### Bahrain ruler sees official

BAHRAIN, Dec. 17 (SPA) -Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments Sheikh Abdul Wahab Abdul Wasie was received here Monday by the ruler, Sheikh Issa ibn Salman Al-Khalifa. He is here on a three-day official visit at the invitation of his Bahraini counterpart, having arrived Monday morning from Riyadh.

He is accompanied by a team that includes Deputy Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments Abdullah Bougas and other senior officials of his ministry.

Sheikh Abdul Wahab and his delegation are to hold talks with Bahraini officials on promoting

common relations, especially in the propagation of Islam. Earlier, Sheikh Abdul Wahah had awarded SR2 million in design contracts to foreign companies for building of the ministry.

As soon as the studies are com-

pleted they will be put out to ten-

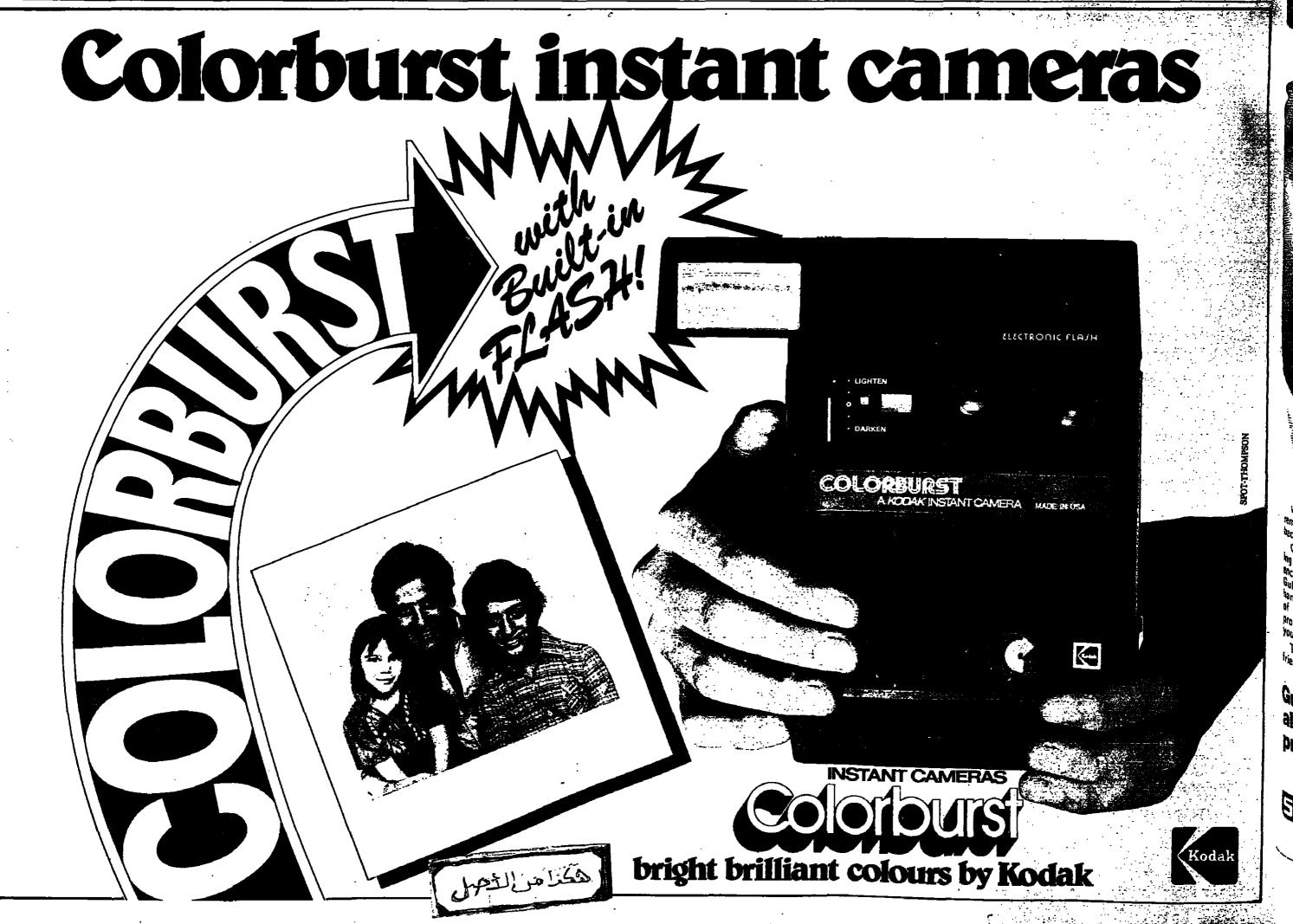
der. Arab and Islamic designs will be emphasized. In Jeddan Monday, Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference Habib Chatti met with Ambassador of Qatar Abdul Aziz Saad Al-Saad and the president of the Islamic Development Bank, Dr. Ahmad Müham-

#### **WEATHER**

Temperatures will continue to rise gradually over the western and the north western provinces while surface winds will remain of moderate speed sometimes dusty in the western and northern provinces. Moderate weather in the central and eastern provinces. Sea will be moderate to choppy in the Red Sea and calm to moderate in

Monday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

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Taif	23	05	Abha	18 07
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# Qaddafi accused of treating PLO like 'paid hirelings'

BONN, Dec. 17 (Agencies) — The security chief of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has accused Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi of treating the PLO as his paid hirelings.

In an interview with the weekly magazine Der Spiegel Sunday, Salah Khalaf, codenamed Abu Ivad, was asked about the PLO's differences with Col. Qaddafi.

The dispute came into the open a week ago when Palestinians accused Libyan authorities of blockading the PLO office in Tripoli. The Libyans denied the

Abu Iyad said Qaddafi "wants a paid revolution and treats us like paid hirelings. He has never paid us financial support, such as that decided by the various Arab summit conferences. He is moody. If you satisfy him you get a kick."

#### He said Qaddafi owed the PLO world ablaze within six months." Israel disputes statement by Khalil on autonomy talks

TEL AVIV, Dec. 17 (R) -Israel's chief negotiator at the Palestinian autonomy talks Sunday night rejected Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil's statement that failure of the negotiations would have the worst possible consequences for all concerned.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg. who heads the Israeli team at the autonomy talks, told the state radio that he could " not accept Dr. Khalil's position and I will tell the prime minister, whom I hold in great esteem, that it is not good for the atmosphere of negotiations to come out with something that could be interpreted as threaten-

In the governmen's annual policy statement to parliament Saturday Khalil also called on Israel to stop building settlements in the West Bank and Gaza and to release political prisoners.

Burg said he believed that Khalil was "aware of Israel's sincere wish to make progress and I am happy that the American special envoy, Mr. Soi Linowitz, also was convinced of this.

Linowitz returned to the U.S. on Thursday after conferring with Egyptian and Israeli leaders dur-

contributions of between \$80 million and \$90 million.

'Qaddafi has the idea that every Palestinian leader can only move when he orders it. He cannot even comb his hair if the colonel forbids it. He always wants us to toe his line completely. We must be the friends of his friends and the enemies of his enemies,"

Abu Iyad said. Told that the colonel had said the PLO should undertake revolutionary acts such as blocking the Suez Canal and blowing up oilfields, Abu Iyad said he wanted to relate something for the first

"I sat with (PLO leader) Yasser Arafat and Qaddafi in a session in 1975," Abu Iyad said. "Qaddafi told us: 'If I were to put myself in the place of the Palestinian resistance organization I would set the

ing a week's tour of the Middle East. Before leaving Israel he said progress had been made in

> territories. The U.S., Israeli and Egyptian negotiators are scheduled to resume the talks in Cairo on Tues-

negotiating home rule for the 1.2

million residents in the occupied

Burg admitted there were " serious differences of views but neither side should deliver ultimatums or threats."

Abu Ivad said he suggested that if the matter were so easy, the colonel should take over leadership of the PLO while the PLO's leaders took the colonel's place in Libya. After six months they should meet again and compare their performances.

Asked how Qaddafi reacted, Abu said: "He laughed like a madman'

Abu Iyad added that he had an answer for Qaddafi.

"Firstly, we are not there to take over the tasks of all Arabs. We have enough tasks, under whose burden we are almost collapsing. He should give us part of his income from oil then I will be able to fight all my enemies," he

"Secondly, if Qaddafi has a long arm, as he boasts, then he should block the Suez Canal himself and blow up the oilfields. Qaddafi is the new Don Quixote, who fights windmills."

Asked about events in Iran and the holding of American hostages in Tehran, Abu Iyad said: "We welcome the Iranian revolution because it eliminated the nightmare, the Shah, and thus his influence and power in the Arabian Gulf."

In Beirut meanwhile, the Palestine news agency Wafa said Sunday night that Libyan authorities Sunday closed the PLO's office in Benghazi and expelled three PLO representatives from the country.

Last Sunday the Libyans expelled the PLO's representative in Tripoli, Suleiman al-Shurafa.

#### Carter accused of violating human rights on Palestine

BEIRUT, Dec. 17 (R) - A Palestinian leader has accused President Jimmy Carter of violating human rights over the the Palestinian question.

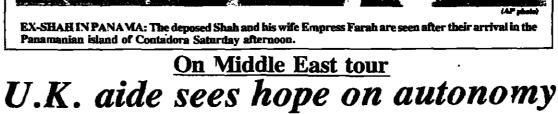
Ahmad Sodki Dajani, a member of the Palestine Liberation Organization's Executive Committee, said that President Carter's position on the Palestinian issue "has violated the concept of self-determination and human rights values ... the effects of this violation can be seen in the entire (Middle East) region."

In an interview with a Beirut magazine, Dajani said the PLO had told European leaders that Israel could not be persuaded to withdraw from the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"We must therefore use our own power and move with the international community to impose that withdrawal ..." he

He added that the PLO would go on with its commando actions. backed by constant political war-

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CAIRO, Dec. 17 (Agencies) — Douglas Hurd, Britain's minister of state for foreign affairs has said he still believed there was hope for agreement on the stalled Palestiman autonomy talks.

"I believe from my conversations with (U.S. Mideast mediator) Mr. Sol Linowitz in Jerusalem, and here with (Egyptian state minister for foreign affairs) Dr. Butros Ghali that there is still hope for an autonomy agreement, which will be the next essential step in the peace process," Hurd told reporters shortly

before leaving for Sudan Sunday. Hurd arrived in Egypt on Thursday, coming from Israel. He is in the Middle East to gain first hand knowledge of developments in the area.

"When I was in Syria and Jordan and Lebanon I spoke with the heads of state there, and conveyed to them that the autonomy talks deserved their support --- not as the final answer but as a step forward, as long as there is hope for an agreement the Palestinians can operate," Hurd said.

The Egyptian-American-Israeli talks on Palestinian autonomy have less than six months to reach agreement on self-rule for the 1.2 million Palestinians living in the

occupied West Bank and the Gaza

After talks with Egyptian Defense Minister Gen. Kamal Hassan Ali, Hurd said that Britain will continue to cooperate with Egypt on defense matters.

Hurd said the talks had touched on the multi-million dollar Arab Organization for Industrialization (AOI), an arms manufacturing consortium which grouped together Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and the United Arab Emi-

Britain was involved in the production of anti-tank swing fire tinue to develop," he said.

#### W.German team in Jordan

West German economic and educational delegation arrived here late Sunday night on an official four-day visit.

expected to hold talks with the education and public works ministers on strengthening educational and economic relations between Jordan and West Germany.

During its visit, at the invitation of Jordan's government, the delegation will study several proArab partners pulled out of the organization last March in protest against the Egyptian-Israeli peace

missiles and British Lynx helicop-

ters by AOI but Egypt's three

Hurd said he and Ali discussed problems concerning the AOI but

gave no further details. The question of the AOI "should not obscure the fact that in other defense fields, our cooperation is going ahead. One of the purposes of my visit was to renew to the minister of defense our wish that this cooperation should con-

Official said the delegation was

AMMAN, Dec. 17 (R) — A jects to be carried out by Jordan's est German economic and edu-Bonn government decides to finance them.

#### Jordan free of cholera

AMMAN, Dec. 17(AP) - The Jordanian Health Ministry informed the World Health Organization Monday that Jordan has become free of cholera, after registering 150 cases in the last four months. No death occurred.

#### Haddad claims commando attacks

METULLA, Dec. 17 (R) - The commander of right-wing militiamen in Southern Lebanon said Palestinian commandos were attacking his positions Sunday night from newly-established posi-

tions in the United Nations zone separating the two sides. Maj. Saad Haddad, who commands the Israeli-backed militias, told reporters at a crossing point near this northern Galilee border town that the Palestinians were attacking his region with artillery and

automatic weapons fire. "The Palestinian commandos have been attacking us for several hours from new positions they set up in the area held by the Dutch; and Nigerian contingents of the U.N.," Haddad said.

'Our forces are firing back," he added.



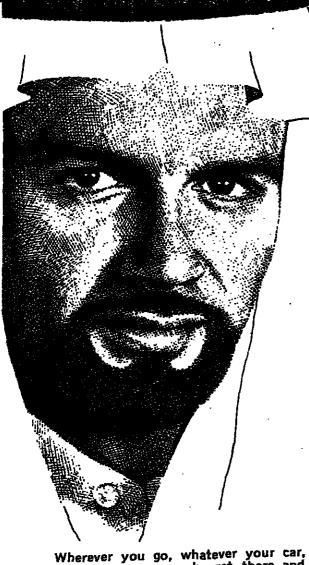
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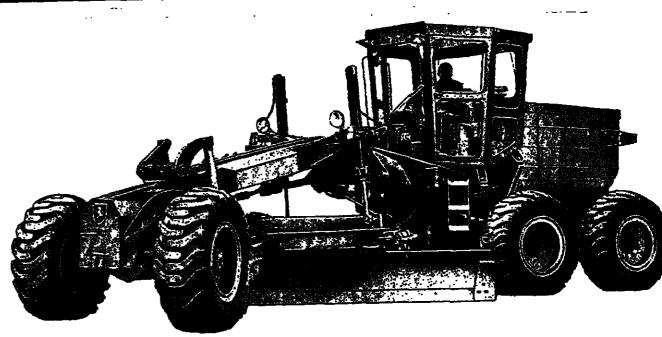
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#### Over austerity plan Danish premier weathers crisis

The two-month old Social Democratic minority government of Prime Minister Anker Joergensen Sunday night emerged intact from a four-day political crisis over its 18-point economic austerity plan, parliamentary sources

A weekend of hectic negotiations between the government and five small centrist and leftist par-

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 17 (R) ties led by the Radical Liberals and the Socialist People's Party ended in the general acceptance of a revised government puckage aimed at revitalizing the ailing Danish economy.

The government's crisis economic package was to be presented to the Folketing (parliament) for its second reading Tuesday, shorn of controversial provisions for the setting up of a com-

pulsory profit-sharing scheme for workers in limited companies, and a central, worker-controlled investment fund, two elements of the package for which the government was unable to get support from any other party in the house.

The new package, which includes higher wealth, property and corporation taxes also comprises drastic restraints on increases in prices and incomes.



#### Without joint command's knowledge

#### U.S. upset over South Korean arrest of officers

SEOUL, Dec. 17 (R) - The United States has rebuked South Korea for using troops under the overall command of a U.S. general to arrest the previous military leadership, informed sources said Monday,

They said the U.S. government was concerned that a unit under the command of Gen. John Wickham was used to arrest South Korean generals.

Wickham, commander of joint U.S.-South Korean forces, watched helplessly in his command bunker in a suburb of Seoul last Wednesday night as troops of the South Korean Ninth Division entered the capital to arrest some 15 senior generals and their aides.

Also in the bunker was William Glevsteen, the U.S. ambassador

TOKYO, Dec. 17 (AP) - The

exodus of refugees from Vietnam

is tapering off and the flow from

Cambodia continues, but financial

support for the 1.3 million that

have already fled must be

maintained, Poul Hartling, United

Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), said Mon-

The relief effort, expected to

cost \$250 million alone this year,

needs continued support from

Japan, which Hartling said he

hoped would bear 50 per cent of

the costs "until the problem is sol-

Since Vietnam gave assurances

in May it would allow its nationals

to leave in an orderly fashion

ved.

But Cambodia refugees up

Vietnam outflow tapers off

to SouthKorea, and South Korean believed hit by bullets.

who resigned his post the next day. The United States was also disturbed that a unit based near the tense demilitarized zone, where North Korea has some 700,000 troops, was pulled away to leave a hole in South Korea's defenses. the sources said

Defense Minister Ro Jac-hyun,

The troops, operating under the authority of South Korean Gen. Chon Du-hwan, fought two gunbattles with Seoul garrison troops as they arrested Gen. Chung Seung-wa, the martial-law commander, and several other senior

army commanders. The sources said that one man, reported to be a major, was killed in the gunfights and 30 to 40 were wounded. Four generals were

instead of "risking their lives in

fragile boats," the number of

monthly departures has dropped

since September from 60,000 to

2.500, said Hartling, a former

"I won't make any forecasts,"

he said in reply to whether he thought the exodus from Vietnam

is on a permanent downward

trend. "But we hope we have

come through the most difficult

and tragic stage." Hartling told a

Danish foreign minister.

They said that Chon and his

allies led by the ninth division commander, Maj. Gen. Ro Tae-woog, acted without the prior authority of new President Choi Kyu-hah, who is expected to be inaugurated Friday.

They said that Choi signed the arrest warrant Thursday morning law court.

after Chung had already been taken away for questioning in connnection with the assassination of former President Park Chung-hee Oct. 26.

Kim Jae-kyu, former head of the Korean Central Intelligence Agency (KCIA), who has admitted killing Park, is now on trial with seven others in Seoul martial

#### Chinese reportedly fired six nuclear test missiles

PEKING, Dec. 17(R) - China is believed to have conducted at least six missile tests so far this year, the last Nov. 26 from a launch site in one of its central provinces, diplomats said Mon-

They said the site in Shanxi Province had been used for at least four missile tests this year, while at least one was made from a region in Gansu Province further to the

The diplomats said another test took place Oct. 18 also from the Wuzai area of Shanxi.

The impact area for the test firings was in the Xinjian region northwest of Lop Nor, the country's test site, the diplomats said.

They said the range from the Shanxi launch site to the impact area was about 1,900 kilometers. suggesting the rockets tested on this course were intermediaterange ballistic missiles (IRBMS).

foreign correspondents club press China is also believed to have Meanwhile, the number of deployed some operational Combodian exiles continues to limited-range intercontinental swell into neighboring Thailand, ballistic missiles (ICBMS) with a representing almost half of Southrange of between 6,000 and 6,500 east Asia's 1.3 million refugees.

Diplomats said there was no indication that the ICBMS had been fully tested, although they suggested the recent tests may have included the intercontinental type using an artificially-high trajectory to compensate for lack of ground covered.

Two new launching sites have been completed or nearly completed in the southern provinces of Yunnan and Sichuan

#### U.S. scientists establish contact with Voyager 1

PASADENA, California, Dec. 17 (AP) - The Voyager I spacecraft has again transmitted strong signals back to earth after scientists finally got it to direct its antenna towards earth.

We have established a contact with the spacecraft ... Now the trick is to find out what happened," said Frank Bristow of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory Sun-

## Europe urged to boost NATO contribution

MUNICH, Dec. 17 (Agencies) - A senior German envoy to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization has urged Western Europe to assume a greater share of its own

defense. " Under no circumstances should we Europeans leave America to carry the chief responsibility for our security," said Hans Christian Lankes, NATO's assistant secretary general for political affairs Sunday.

Europe's economic role has powerfully increased in the last 20 years. Lankes said. He added that the " entire European contribution to the joint security effort has to increase.

Lankes was addressing 140 West German government military and business leaders at a meeting of the German Atlantic Society on " the global threat to the

West and NATO's answer." NATO's decision this week to deploy a new generation of U.S. middle range nuclear missiles in Europe to offset updated Soviet weapons was a major topic of the conference.

Martin Hillenbrand, director of the Atlantic Institute for International Affairs in Paris and former American ambassador to West Germany, downplayed Soviet threats.

" From my 30 years experience. threats from the Russians are not to be taken so seriously, " Hillenbrand told the audience at Amerika Haus.

NATO diplomats Monday handed the Soviet bloc detailed proposals for the first joint U.S.-Soviet troop withdrawals from

Europe since World War II. The proposals, approved by NATO foreign ministers in Brussels Friday, were drawn up by the alliance in an attempt to revive the deadlocked Vienna conference on East-West force reduction, which opened six years ago.

NATO sources said U.S. chief negotiator Jonathan Dean, accompanied by other Western officials, delivered a " large and complicated package " of proposals at an informal meeting with Soviet delegate Nikolai Tarasov and other Warsaw Pact diplomats.

The proposals call for a firstphase withdrawal of about 30,000 Soviet and 13,000 U.S. troops from Central Europe, to be followed by further cuts until ground

forces in Central Europe are ence Thursday. reduced to 700,000 on each side.

Troop cut plan presented

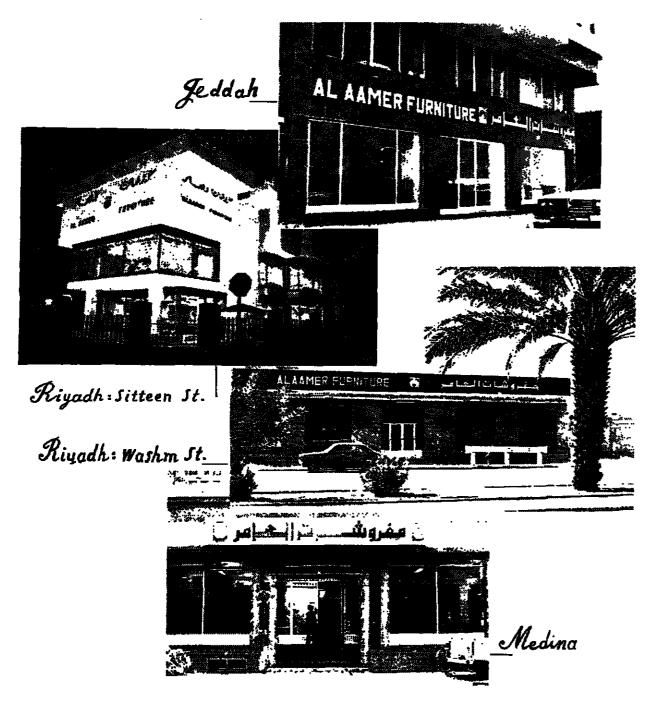
Similar informal working group Officials said details of the meetings are held regularly before NATO package were being withthe weekly plenaries.

held until the proposals had been Communist diplomats said Soviet delegation chief Nikolai formally proposed at a plenary session of the 19-nation confer- Tarasov would be putting

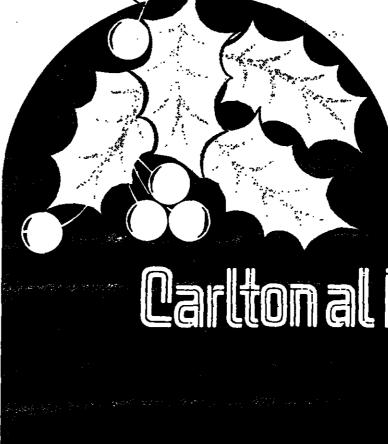
searching questions" on behalf of the seven-nation Warsaw Pact But Communist negotiators were expected to withhold comment until the conference resumes Jan. 31 after a six-week Christmas and New Year break.







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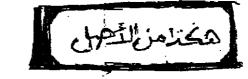
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# All division titles but one clinched in NFL football

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP) he Pittsburgh Steelers, Dallas Towboys and Tampa Bay Bucaneers clinched division titles junday, joining previous winners Aliami and Los Angeles, and the hicago Bears earned a wild-card CONTROL Death in the National League's final regular eason Sunday.

The final division title, the

\merican Conference West, will Zacatie decided Monday night when he San Diego Chargers take on he Denver Broncos in San Diego. The losing team will get a wild ard berth, however.

The Steelers, 12-4, smothered 3uffalo 28-0 to take the division itle and assure themselves of an t-home start in the playoffs, which begin Dec. 23. Since [972, he Steelers have a 6-1 record in t-home playoff action.

Houston, 11-5, the other AFC ildcard team, lost to Philadelhia, 26-20. Philadelphia is an IFC wild-card team, and while it as the same record as Dallas, it sses the championship to the lowboys because of the NFL's ales. However, the Eagles victory ill give them the home-field dvantage in the opening playoff

Tampa Bay, 10-6, won its divion championship with a 3-0 vicory over Kansas City on a Neil Donoghue faild goal with 8:50 ft to play.

Tampa Bay's victory kept the hicago Bears from taking the IFC Central title despite the ears' victory over St. Louis, hich finished the season 5-11. hicago ended with a 10-6 record. ut the Bears will be in the playffs with a wild car berth.

The Dallas Cowboys staged a pectacular comeback to beat the Vashington Redskins in the last econds of play and knock the tedskins out of the playoffs. The

YAOUNDE, Dec. 17 (R) —

Jnion Douala of Cameroun has

on the African Champion Clubs'

occer Cup by beating Ghana learts of Oak in a penalty kicking

ontest at the end of regulation

Hearts of Oak had won the

pening leg 1-0 in Abidjan and

Jnion Douala won Sunday's

natch by the same score, then

hey took the penalty kicking con-

It was a heartbreaking defeat

inute when Donala scored on a

It was the second distinction for

he Cameroun club in a week. Last

or the Ghanaians, whose first leg

oal stood up until the 89th

CARLES BELL

Skins had been leading 34-21, but wide receiver Tony Hill shagged an eight-yard touchdown pass from Roger Stauback with 39 seconds to play and Rafael Septien , kicked the vital extra point to give the Cowboys a 35-34 vicotry over the Redskins. The Cowboys finish the season with a 11-5 record. while Washington dropped to 10-6.

In other games Sunday, the New Orleans Saints took advantage of Los Angeles Rains turnovers to gain a 29-14 vicotry, but since the Rams had already won their division title, the loss does

not affect their playoff attitudes. In Oakland, California, Seattle quarterback Jim Zorn threw two touchdowns to Sam McCullum to give the Seahawks a 29-24 victory over the Raiders and knock the Oakland team out of contention for a wild card spot. Both teams finished with 9-7 records.

And in Foxboro, Massachusetts, the New England Patriots rallied to salvage a fourthquarter, 27-23 victory over the Vinnesota Vikings. Both teams finish with 8-8 records.

In East Rutherford, New Jersey, the Baltimore Colts broke a five game losing streak and defeated the New York Giants 31-7, to give the Colts a 5-11 season and the Giants a 6-10 mark for the

In O.J. Simpson's last game as a professional football player, his San Francisco 49ers were defeated 31-21 by the Atlanta Fulcons to end a disasterous 2-14 season for the 49ers. The Falcons finished with a 6-10 mark.

Scores of the Cleveland-Cincinatti game were not

On Saturday, the New York Jets beat the AFC East champion Miami Dolphins 27-24 and Green

Bay Defeated Detroit 18-13. Ghanaians defeated

thrashed Gor Mahia of Kenya 6-0

in the return leg final of the Afri-

A crowd of 110,000, including

Cameroun President Ahmadou

Ahidio and delegates attending

Africa Conference here, attended

executive committee of the Afri-

can Football Confederation.

First leg matches are due to be

played on April 11, 12 or 13 and

the return games on April 25, 26

can Cupwinners' Cup.

the match.

Cameroun club takes Cup field very well yesterday.

> game may have been over before today. The West Indies will leave

Oueensland, where they will play a Queensland country side in Toowoomba on Wednesday. The match will be the Tourists last before Friday's Benson and

Union Douala will meet either Linara of Lesotho or Simba of Tanzania in its opening match in defense of the trophy next year. The draw for the 1980 competianother confrontation over his tion was made here Sunday by the

A defiant Lillee says he is prepared to use the bat in the second innings against England on Tuesday unless there is a directive from the Australian Cricket Board that he cannot do so.



SYDNEY: Britain's Sue Barker in action against Regina Marsikova in a semi-final of the New South Wales Building Society Tennis tournament recently.

#### By innings and 61 runs

#### **Windies beat Tasmania**

LAUNCESTON, Tasmania, Dec. 17 (AP) — The West Indies took only 58 minutes to wrap up their match with Tasmania on Monday morning, winning by an innings and 61 runs.

Tasmania resumed at their overnight score of six for 235 with Roger Woolley not out at 85 and Blair Campbell not out on 20.

They were all out for 271 after their first innings total of 213, to which the West Indies had replied with a record five for 545 declared.

West Indian skipper Clive Lloyd said he was suprised to have won so convincingly, but added that his team was nearing its peak.

"We haven't got any injuries and the players who were not scoring well are now getting among the

"Our bowlers are performing extremely well, although we didn't

"If we had held our catches the

lLauncestoni on Tuesday for

Hedges World Series Cup match against Australia in Sydney. In Perth, Australia's fast bowler Dennis Lillee and cricket authorities are heading for

aluminium bat.

Lillee said in Perth Monday that he would have tests done on the bat at the University of Western Australia to clarify the situation.

Lillee held up play for nine minutes on Saturday when he was told to change his aluminium bat because in the opinion of umpires, it damaged the ball as claimed by English captain Mike Brearley.

The umpires took only one over to come to that decision. The umpires said in Perth Sunday that no special report would be made on Saturday's incident. The Australian Cricket Board has so far not intervened because the game is in the hands of the

Lillee has pleaded that using his aluminium bat in preference to a traditional wooden one was not a publicity stunt.

#### Bad temper from McEnroe

## Americans sweep Italians in Davis Cup

(R) — John McEnroe and Vitas Gerulaitis Sunday gave the United States a sweep over Italy in the 1979 Davis Cup tennis champion-

Ship.
The Americans became the first team to win every set in the

McEnroe beat Antonio Zugarelli, 6-4, 6-3, 6-1. And Gerulaitis completed the rout, stopping Adriano Panatta, 6-1. 6-3. 6-3.

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"The American team was just to good for us," said the disconsolate Italian team captain Vittorio

McEnroe, called America's tennis "Superbrat" for his displays of court temper, became embroiled in a shouting match

The U.S. clinched the cup in the doubles Saturday but Sunday's

McEnroe at times played slop-

McEnroe disputed a linesman's call and had it reversed by the

Italians attending the match followed and McEnroe yelled back,

'shut up.' When the shouts continued, McEnroe fell to the court, his arms outstretched.

When he tried to serve again, an Italian fan ran on the court and approached McEnroe, the American then ran in mock terror past the U.S. bench and plunged into the crowd.

match finally resumed.

#### Beating Jazz

#### **Bucks snap losing streak**

MILWAUKEE, Wisconsin Dec. 17 (AP) - When the Milwaukee Bucks break out of a losing streak, they do it properly. "I think we're over it, whatever

it was," said Marques Johnson after scoring 21 points to lead the Bucks to an overwhelming 104-79 National Basketball Association victory over the Utah Jazz Sunday night. The Bucks had lost six straight

games before their latest vicotry. They did not look particularly well through the first quarter Sunday night, when they fell behind by 10 points at one stage, but coach Don Nelson told Johnson: "Hey, the shots will fall."

Elsewhere in the NBA, Boston

beat New Jersey 115-112 in overtime; Kansas City edged Indiana 107-105; Seattle turned back Denver 123-121; Los Angeles outscored San Antonio 121-119: San Diego beat Detroit 133-126

Larry Bird's 19 points helped Boston beat New Jersey, despite a season-high 52-point output by Vets guard Mike Vewlin. The Nets had a 112-107 lead after Newlin's shot with 1:36 left in overtime.

After the Nets' Winford Boynes missed a jumper, Nate Archibald drove for a basket and was fouled. He converted the three-point play with 36 seconds left, giving Boston a 113-112 lead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17 for the final round of the South Friday by Thomas Koch over American Davis Cup zone Sunday

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Alberto Kirmayr over Chile's Ricardo Acuna 6-3, 6-1, 5-7, 7-5. Brazil clinched the playoff berth against Argentina by taking an insurmountable 3-1 lead in the best-of-five semifinal round.

with a victory by Brazilian Carlos

Chilean veteran Jaime Fillol and a surprising victory in doubles on Saturday.

Kirmayr dominated play in the early going with a strong baseline game. He tried visibly after the second set. A last-minute substitute for Fillol, who hurt his arm

Kirmayr held his own serve to tak the march.

In Cairo, Sweden's Bjorn Bor won a four-man round robin ter nis tournament by beating Egypt' Ismail Shafei 6-2 6-3 Sunday.

Bill Scanlon of the Unite States beat fellow American Elix Teltscher 7-6, 7-6.

#### European soccer results

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Friday, Koch took set three when

THE HAGUE, Dec. 17 (R) results of European football

Other points came on a singles win

Last year, the United States beat Britain 4-1.

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match between McEnroe and Zugarelli was not a pushover for the American.

pily in the opening set, but he got his game together in the second, after a shouting match with some of the Italian fans.

The incident occurred after

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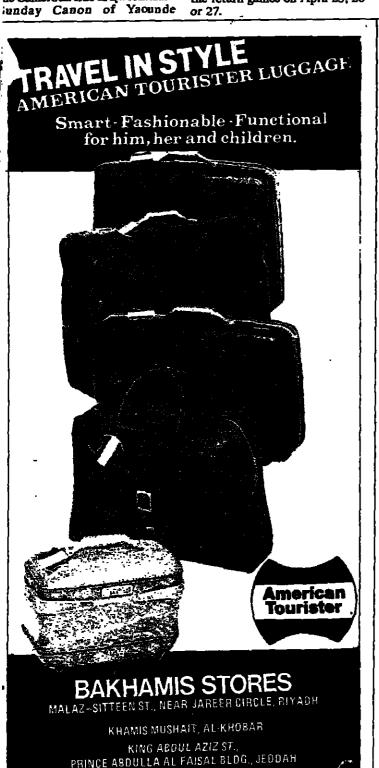
After the four-time delay, the

The final set proved to be a near whitewash as McEnroe broke Zugarelli twice to open up a 5-0 lead before winning the set 6-1. In Sao Paolo, Brazil qualified

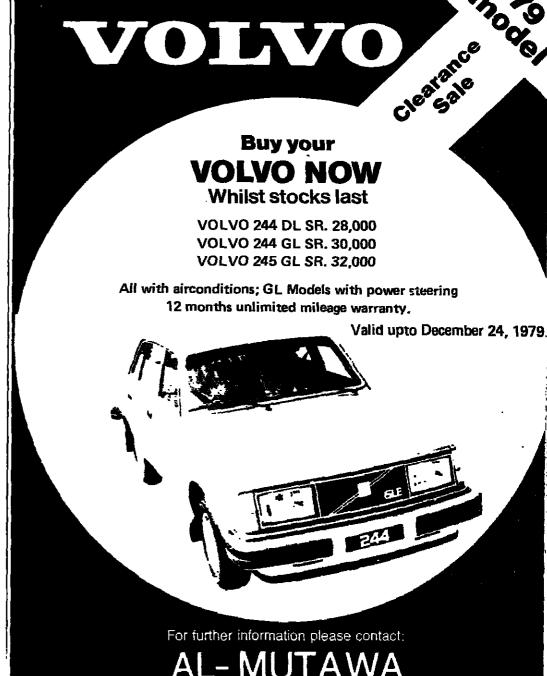
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#### **MUTUAL INTEREST**

The OPEC meeting in Caracas will test the unity of that organization's membership as well as their sense of responsiility. It is no exaggeration to say that the whole world will vait apprehensively for the outcome, since, to a considerable neasure, the economic (and then political) profile of the approaching eighties will depend a great deal on these delib-

The growing economic power of the organization has made t the subject of a great deal of pressure as well as an object of ilification. But it is hoped that, in its meeting, it would have refore its eyes firstly and foremostly, the critical international conomic situation, and see what contributions it can make oward stabilizing it.

Thus the price increases debated there have to be realistic. and they have to be so planned as to overcome the present haos in the oil markets and return it, as far as this is possible, a unified price basis. The government of Saudi Arabia and ne United Arab Emirates have led the way here. Their recent ix dollar price increase represents an attempt to set what they onsider to be the acceptable limit for now.

In addition to the question of pricing, the meeting will also eal with such things as the levels of production, the problems ingendered by the situation in Iran, and, perhaps more presngly, the problem of oil payments, now that the dollar is howing no signs of stabilizing.

Beyond all this stands a major issue, which has been the burce of a long and heated debate — this is the plight of the eveloping nations, pressed between the anvil of rising inflaon and the attendant increase in the price of industrial goods n the one hand, and the energy shortage and increase in oil rices on the other.

One of the suggestions the OPEC meeting will discuss will that of establishing a fund to assist such countries. But heikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani has already come out with a view which he stressed the international dimension of the issue. e has called on the industrial nations of the world to play ieir full part in such an effort, for while OPEC has recognized responsibilities toward the developing nations, the richer dustrial nations are still dragging their feet.

#### "YOURS SHRANK A LITTLE"



## The gamble on Lord Soames

By Paul Ellman

SALISBURY-

Britain has taken a calculated risk by sending Lord Soames to Salisbury as Governor of Rhodesia before agreement has been reached on a ceasefire.

Already the decision has drawn criticism from a number of black African leaders, who signified their anger by refusing to allow his aircraft to fly over their territories on its historic journey.

Yet it was probably the only way Britain could hope to overcome the suspicions of the Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance that London's real aim is to ensure that Abel Muzorewa reappears as Prime Minister.

Lord Soames, by his first acts as governor, will determine whether the guerrillas operating in remote bush areas will be prepared to stop fighting and allow elections to take place.

Under proposals made by Britain at the London conference, the guerrillas will regroup at 14 designated points across Rhodesia during the ceasefire. The Rhodesian army and air force will be confined to barracks, leaving the British South Africa Police (BSAP), as the local force is called, to provide the cutting edge of Lord Soames authority.

Robert Mugabe and Joshua Nkomo, coleaders of the Patriotic Front, say the plan would leave their guerrillas vulnerable to massacre by the Rhodesian forces and have deadlocked the London talks by refusing to provide details of the number of men they have in the

The deadlock is likely to be broken only when Lord Soames proves that the settlement really does offer equal opportunities for all political groups to achieve power. Even if agreement is reached quickly on a ceasefire, its implementation will be fraught with danger, not least because of the frail chain of command in the guerrilla forces.

Salisbury's current estimate of guerrilla strength inside the country is around 17,000, of whom more than 11,000 are believed to belong to Mugabe's Zimbabwe African National Liberation Army (ZANLA) and the remainder to Nkomo's Zimbabwe People's Revolutionary Army (ZIPRA).

Most guerrillas operate in very small units, often consisting of only five men. Contact with commanders is minimal. It will be hard to convince these men that what they hear about the settlement on the radio, or from local tribespeople, is not a trick to lure them into the

In some areas where the guerrilla command structure is relatively well developed, there is evidence that insurgents have been told to prepare for a ceasefire. This is certainly true in parts of the north-east, where ZANLA commanders have allowed buses and private cars to travel freely in a number of tribal trust lands and, in some cases, have told their men to

operate purely defensively. Mugabe supporters argue that once agreement has been reached in London, it will not be too difficult to achieve a ceasefire - as long as the order are backed by the ZANLA commander, General Josiah Tongorara. "When the men hear Tongo and their sector commanders tell them it's time to stop fighting, they will," one official of Mugabe's party said.

Suggestions that the guerrillas will observe the ceasefire entirely are greeted with scom by the Salisbury military. They believe that insurgents will be unwilling to move out of areas which they have successfully subverted, particularly the tribal trust lands of the south-

Military sources in Salisbuty claim captured guerrillas have revealed an undercurrent of discontent inside ZANLA that the London settlement does not offer any prospect of power to the combatants as such, and that this will mean that some will carry on fighting.

Other sources argue that, whatever happens, the country will be faced with a long period of pure banditry by guerrillas who relish ordering food and drink at gunpoint.

The threat to an effective ceasefire does not come from the guerrillas alone. Embittered elements of the Rhodesian armed forces could also provide the spark for a fresh conflagration if they succumb to the temptation to carry out some last minute 'culling,' as it is known in army circles.

Another potential danger comes from the thousands of heavily armed white civilians, some of whom might find the prospect of guerrillas being allowed to go unpunished or indeed to form the next government too bitter a pill to swallow.

The real question, then, as Lord Soames begins his delicate mission, is not so much whether there will be an agreement to hold a ceasefire but rather how effective the truce will be. Put another way, it is a question of how many more people will die before the quest for peace is over. — (OFNS)

## During the 1970s, reality struck America like a fist

By Henry Gottlieb

**NEW YORK-**In the 1970s America woke up from an American dream world and discovered some stark realities. It realized that after three post-war decades of

global power perhaps its world view needed a massive overhaul. And after three centuries of belief in the infinity of its wealth, America started wondering if it was running out of just about every commodity but self doubt.

It was a decade made for anxiety. About Vietnam, the shrinking dollar, oil shortages, and official corruption unearthed in the era of Watergate.

"For the first time, the U.S. appears to have lost faith in the future" said Thierry de Montbrial, director of the French Institute of International Relations. "There is a recognition that the American way of life isn't so absolutely superior."

It was a recognition based on lessons learned in the hard school of events.

The United States recalled its troops from Vietnam after a decade of war, and in 1975 an impoverished but determined Asian country claimed victory. Some 50,000 Americans had died and so did the myth that U.S. military might, with its sophisticated weapons, would triumph wherever it

There was a realization that America had to accept the world as it existed not as it hoped it would be. So President Richard Nixon resumed relations with China in 1972 and launched a wary era of detente with the Soviet Union. President Jimmy Carter tried to make friends in black Africa and convinced the country's longtime client, Israel, to come to terms with Egypt at Camp David. The Panama Canal was given to the Panamanians.

But such experiences, as sobering as they were, created for many a sense of purification and renewed purpose.

Indeed as the decade drew to a close, Americans came together like seldom before in common cause over the issue of 50 citizens captured in Iran - a direct result of a resentment that erupted in recent vears from abroad.

America remained one of the richest countries, but there was a suspicion that other economies were healthier, especially in Europe and Japan, that perhaps America could learn something from their There were waiting lists to buy Toyotas and Vol-

kswagens while Chrysler motors said it faced bankruptcy. Britain and France built a supersonic jetliner and the United States did not. After centuries of abundance Americans learned

that natural wealth was finite. Scholars had been saying it for decades, but the average American suddenly realized he had to conserve clean air, clear water, forests and mineral wealth. The worst problem was oil, depleted at home and

expensive to import. In 1973, when the Arabs embargoed oil, Americans waited in gasoline lines, suffered massive rationing for the first time since World War II and saw their country's balance of payments deficits soar to pay for foreign oil.

Billions of dollars that might have been devoted to economic expansion flowed out of the country and the dollar's value fell. Inflation hit double digits in 1974 and by 1979 interest rates had joined them.

The average American no longer dreamed of owning a big house because it was too expensive to heat and, anyway, who could afford a 14 per cent bouse mortgage? The big gasoline-guzzling car symbolic of 20th century America became a fossil and old fashioned wood burning stoves became popular until Americans heard about the wood

There were other new limits. Americans stopped believing that government programs to uplift the poor and spread the wealth in the 1960s could solve their problems. Senator Edward Kennedy's plan for a billion dollar health insurance program went nowhere. Candidates like Governor Jerry Brown in California in 1974, Mayor Edward Koch in New York in 1977and President Carter in 1976 were swept into office espousing the politics of less: less government regulation, less taxes; less looking to Washington for solutions to every public problem.

"We have learned that more is not necessarily better, that even our great nation has its recognized limits," Carter said at his inauguration in January, 1977. "We can neither answer all questions nor solve all our problems."

American students seemed to be in tune with the new spirit, and the prevailing spirit appeared to be different than it was in the 1960s, when anti-war, civil rights and academic activism swept college campuses. In the 1970s students seemed to turn politically conservative and less interested in advocating public issues than in learning skills they would need to get jobs.

Writer Tom Wolfe called it the era of the "me" generation, people devoting themselves to themselves improving their minds through study and self-awareness techniques from est to zen, bettering their bodies through tennis and jogging, and slimming down with the dozens of miracle diets published each year.

Books with titles beginning with the words, "how to," were among the biggest sellers of the decade, ranging from how to improve your sex life, to how to make a million dollars on the stock market.

Some of the fads were frivolous but to some observers the interest in self improvement — the yen to cultivate ones own garden - seemed to be a positive step backward to an America with simple goals filled with slimmer, healthier and more selfreliant Americans.

Nowhere did self-improvement make more strides than among women, who achieved a greater measure of equality than before and became leaders in every field. Using techniques developed in the civil rights movement, women lobbied and demonstrated for equal jobs with equal pay and by the end of the decade it seemed perfectly natural that an astronaut, the commanding officer of a Coast Guard ship, hundreds of auto mechanics and the mayor of Chicago were women.

With more women seeking careers and young people searching for personal fulfillment before committing themselves to families, birth rates dropped from 18.4 per thousand in 1970 to 15.3 at the end of the decade. In 1970 marriages outsripped divorces three-to-one. By the end of the decade, 2.2 million people a year were getting married, but 1.1 million people were getting divorced.

It was a decade of contradictions. Surveys showed that most Americans under 30 had tried marijuana yet eveyone lamented the growth of drug use. Membership in established churches declined but religious cults drew millions of adherents. Crimes, such as those of John Gacy of Chicago,

who admitted murdering 33 young men, prompted 37 states to restore the death penalty. But crime rates soared, losses from auto theft alone hitting one billion dollars a year.

While most people watched their pennies, a man named Nolan Ryan earned one million dollars a year to throw a baseball and more people than ever took advantage of government food stamp prog-

Blacks consolidated gains made in the civil rights movement of the 1960s, increased their participation in higher education and became more visible in the public life of the nation. But in some cities voters demonstrated to prevent implementation of court ordered school integration plans and there was growing resistance among whites to job preference plans designed to cut black unemployement.

Many people saw the turbulent 1970s as a time of triumph for American democracy. Millions of people had demonstrated against a hated war, had elected anti-war representatives to Congress and the administration had listened.

In the worst government scandal in American history, President Richard M. Nixon was forced out of office for covering up the crimes of his aides and Vice President Spiro I. Agnew was convicted of tax

The incidents shocked the nation, but as Nixon's successor Gerald Ford put it, "the system worked." Power was transferred orderly and the United States proved that its highest leaders were not above the constitution and laws that had served the country well for 200 years. (AP).

# saudi press review

fost newspapers Monday led h the graduation of the ional Guard's fourth joint ed division whose ceremony is aduled to be held Wednesday ler the auspices of King iled. In a lead story, Alrah quoted Interior Minister ce Naif as saying " we have discovered the training camps

he criminal gang," but added the foreign news media were ng " to provoke use." Ald led with a reported possible ord on the unified oil price at conference of the Organizaof Petroleum Exporting ntries (OPEC) now being in Caracas. a front-page story, Alrah quoted the Italian ambasor to the Kingdom as saying

Saudi Arabia had no links

the bribe case connected with

's Oil Company ENI. Almost

the papers gave front-page tment to the OPEC meeting h began in Caracas Monday. United States Senate's oval of a resolution to urge

Muslim leaders to help in the release of the U.S. hostages in Iran figured prominently in Al -Bilad, while Al-Medina reported in a front-page story that 5000 Soviet advisors and soldiers were working in Afghanistan.

Okaz highlighted a Malaysian scholars' delegation to Saudi Arabia and further reported that the Japanese embassy in Tehran was the target of an armed attack Sunday Al -Riyadh frontpaged a report on a medical complex of four hospitals which is to be built in Riyadh at a cost of over SR 4.5

Al - Jazirah continued to comment on Crown Prince Fahd's interview to the Saudi Press Agency a few days ago, in which he had dealt with the Holy Haram incident and the biased attitude of some foreign press circles in regard to the crime. The paper said that "the mentally and psychologically weak people would never be able to thwart the Kingdom's development." It gave further prominence to Prince

Fahd's stress on the need for opening the doors to the world and welcoming everything that is useful and is in conformity with the Islamic laws and heritage. " Violence cannot replace these principles in having a dialogue among members of a closely-knit society

of one family," it added. Dealing with the OPEC conference in Caracas, Al - Medina mentioned the conflicting situation under which the conference is being held, and drew attention to the energy problem being faced by the world market as a result of increasing consumption of energy, mainly by the industrialized

The paper praised the Kingdom's oil policy which aimed at realizing a reasonble degree of stability to the world economy. In pursuing its policy. Saudi Arabia considers its interests only within the range of international interests," it said, adding that the restoration of stability to the world oil market necessitated the adoption of positive step by the

consumer countries by putting a limit to the energy consumption." Dwelling on the same subject,

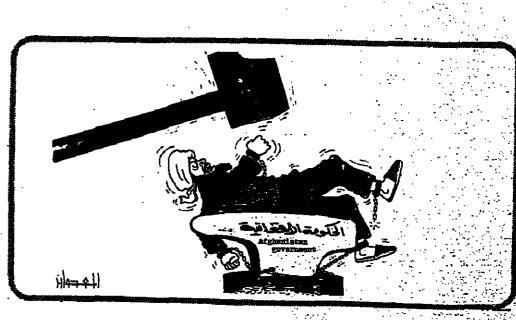
Al -Nadwa said that, despite criscs in the international field, OPEC has proved its capability of facing all the circumstances with due regard to the interest of the member countries and their peoples. Referring to resolutions adopted by some member countries in respect of the oil prices, the paper said one could hope an accord on the oil prices during the meetings, since the prices are going to be the most prominent topic to be discussed during the

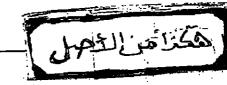
Al -Bilad hoped that the OPEC conference would end with a positive outcome in favor of the world economy, stressing thereby the role of the oil-producing countries in resolving the economic crises. The paper said " it was necessary to control the prices so that it does not bring in new strains on the countries of the world. The OPEC's moderate attitude will be able to give a fitting reply to the

propagandas of the malicious new media which only try to undermine the oil-producing countries and holding them responsible for the international economic prob-

Referring to the graduation ceremony of the National Guard's fourth armed divison, Okaz said the King's patronage of the occasion exhibited an aspect of the leadership's concern for a strong armed force capable of defending the country and its achievements against all odds. It added that the army's successful performance during their recent encounters with the renegades at the Holy Haram had given an evidence of its preparedness to protect the faith and the nation at all times.

The Kingdom was fully aware of the importance of a strong force that could meet the Zionist and Communist challenges, " said the paper, adding that " the National Guard's role during the purging of the Holy Mosque was praiseworthy and it deserved congratulations for its heroism."





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A lice yawns in Riyadh

# The Riyadh Zoo

By a Staff Writer
YADH — The anteaters are of cucumbers, the rhinoceros eveloped a taste for gallons te juice. The animals love

. : 200 opened in the Nasriyah ens in 1956. It is now in iz and is in the process of expanded. It is a popular site city. On a summer day, as as 5,000 people wander ah its grounds. As the city ds, there is less room for the ) grow and the problem of available space becomes

i, the zoo boasts a fairly selection of animals, mainly Africa and Arabia. As dozen giraffes, a rhinoceros. - . s, a pair of cheatahs, a black and elephants have been tht from Africa. From a there are wolves, desert gazelles, baboons and the an horse. The zoo has had kable success in breeding rabian animals in captivity. aboons and the gazelles are ng and the 200 takes particuide in its expanding number lves as they diminish in the

thammad Abu Rashid has the director of the zoo since opened almost 24 years ago. ow has a staff of 60, including rinarian and an assistant and ticultural adviser. Others are - nsible for the maintenance e gardens, the cleanliness of iges. One onerous job is the ing of rubbish from the gar-

The most pleasant job, if potentially the most dangerous, is the handling of the animals. The zoo

knows that personal attention and close human contact are essential. Such an approach has its dangers, however. A burly young lion cub once escaped its keeper and could not be found. The guard retired to his rooms to consider the problem. The answer came to him as he was lying on his bed, in

the form of a large paw stretching out from underneath him. As in any 200, the quantities of food consumed each day are enormous and staggeringly varied. Each lion is presented with five kilograms of camel meat, of beef and of liver. Dates, bananas oranges, tomatoes, nuts and a wide range of vegetables are fed to

the herbivores. Riyadh is an excellent environment for tropical and subtropical animals. All the present inhabitants come from areas with similar climatic conditions. Each has sleeping and living quarters with shade where they can escape the fiercest beat or when the attentions of the general public become

The director of the zoo recently returned from a trip to the London Zoo, one of the largest in the world. The visit was useful but there will be no dramatic changes in the methods at the Riyadh Zoo.

" Our animals are a little bit stronger and healthier yet, I think. Like any zoo-keeper. I would like my zoo to be the best in the world and I think that one day it will

## Ruins of a queen's philanthropy

By CLARE KENT

TAIF - The woman who gave her name to Darb Zubayda or Zubayda's Way could not have known what a fascination it would hold for people over a thousand years later. To her it was a means of surviving the long Pilgrimage journey to Mecca.

Queen Zubayda was the wife of the Caliph of Baghdad, Harun al Rashid, who ruled the Abbasid Empire from 786-809 A.D. It was a time of great glory. Baghdad was a prosperous and civilized town. Many are the stories of Queen Zubayda's gold, silver and

The Caliph and his queen often made the Pilgrimage from Baghdad to Mecca accompanied by large numbers of Hajjis, rich and poor. Gradually they had tracks cleared through the mountainous areas to make the road easier. Rest houses and water supplies were set up along the route.

Queen Zubayda spent the last years of her life making sure that the way had sufficient water for the poor pilgrims who travelled more slowly on foot. She built cisterns and simple shelters between the main stations on the route, and these continued to be used long after her death.

But, after the fall of Baghdad to the Mongols in the mid-thirteenth century, there was no money to keep up the route. The cisterns desert. In 1973 the Saudi Government dug out and restored two of the cisterns on the route and it is possible to visit them from Taif. We decided that we would visit

them on our way back to Taif from the volcanic crater near Al Hofr. This was no easy task. We set off in what we thought was the right direction to pick up the main track which runs from Mahd ad Dhab, the gold mine in the north, down to the main Taif-Riyadh road.

We crossed several tracks but none of them looked well travelled. Finally we stopped at a bedouin encampent to ask for 'al birkat al agiq' - the ancient well. Rather to our astonishment a young man leapt into his truck and said he would lead us to the place.

We raced along after him, barely able to keep up as he bumped and swerved along the desert track in a south-westerly direction. He went on and on, and we began to fear there was some misunderstanding. But he could not catch up to talk to him again and we felt it would be ungrateful just to desert him.

Then the territory changed and we were in hilly terrain, the track winding in and out, up and down. We had visited the cisterns before and knew that there was nothing like this around them. We thought we must have come much too far west. Time was passing and we rectangular cistern, the line of the walls just raised above the ground. Nearby were piles of stone which could once have been shelters for the pilgrims. It must have been one of the resting places on the Darb Zubayda, but I could not

Then our luck changed. We saw

The cistern we had found was a rectangular one. There was no more than a puddle of water in the bottom. The rest was dried mud with the prints of animals set in it. It was surrounded by a wall with gaps at intervals. Deep steps led down to the bottom all the way round. Nearby there were the remains of many little houses made of the basalt rocks from the

lava flow on one side. find our way to the other quite easily, it is only 15 kilometers away. It is actually a pair of cisterns, one square, the other round, and there is a small domed building between them. Under this

find it again now.

We showed the man a picture of the restored cistern but he had done enough. He took us back through the hills and set us on a track going south. We were relieved to go at our own speed again, and, as it was already midday, we decided to push on south so that we would eventually hit the tarmac road near Taif.

large trees in the distance. A few minutes later we were pulling up alongside one of the restored pools. The track had taken us right

From this pool we were able to

One of Queen Zubayda's disterns

building are two tunnels joining the pools together. Like the other they have walls round them and steps leading down to the bottom. Like the other, they are virtually

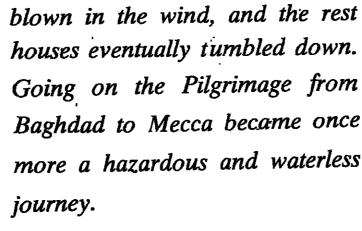
How wonderful it would be to see them as Shirley Kay describes them in her book Travels in Saudi Arabia. A "delightful scene of sparkling water, swallows busily swooping for insects and bedouin collecting water". She describes the bedouin chanting and passing buckets of water from hand to hand up the steps to a waiting

pick-up truck. Both times I have visited the cisterns they have been dry and totally deserted.

We then headed south to Ushayrah, a large village about 60 kilometers north of Taif, where we were able to fill up with gasoline. From Ushavrah we bravely, or foolishly, decided to go west to as Sayl al Kabir, thus missing Taif and getting well on the way to Jeddah. But every track we took to get through the mountains ended up at a delightful picnic spot. One ended at a deserted

Eventually, as it was getting late in the afternoon, we turned back to Ushayrah. Half way back we were met by what seemed to be the whole male population of Ushayrah in trucks. They had come out to look for us. They escorted us back to their village and put us on the track for Taif. We reached the tarmac road just as the light was fading rapidly. We drove into Taif watching a magical sunset where the mountains ranged in color from pale mauve to deep purple and the sky ablaze

# The cisterns silted up with sand



Pilgrimage from Baghdad to hazardous and waterless journey. These ruins can be seen in many places along the old route of the

bedouin was taking us to some

swimg round another corner and came to an abrupt halt. We drew up beside it and got out to talk. Then I saw what he had brought us to in these little hills. There was the outline of a half-buried For additional information Jeddah: 57863-604103, Telex: 400272 REZAYAT SJ

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#### Egyptian premier presents budget

# Deficit 'covers' subsidies

CAIRO, Dec. 17 (AP) - The Egyptian government has presented its proposed 1980 budget of \$ 20.8 billion to parliament, boasting a decrease in the deficit from \$ 1.7 billion in 1979 to \$ 1.4 billion in 1980, "largely to rectifying the country's economic course," government statement

Most of the deficit (\$ 1.3 billion) covers the subsidies the govemment puts up for basic commodities, such as tea, oil, bread and sugar.

In his statement to purliament Sunday Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil said there would be no price hike on basic commodities, to ensure social justice, that those who have not car still live in dig-

The government has been careful to avoid any sharp rises on basic goods fearing a recurrence of the bloody food riots of January 1977 when the last such rises were announced. They were immediately revoked. The new budget also includes a \$ 480 million "cost of living aid," in the form on increased salaries and pensions to the lowest income brackets.

A feature of the new budget, which is 11.5 per cent higher than that of 1979, is the squeeze put on the middle classes to help finance the subsidies for the poorer ones.

The prices of cigarettes, gas and soft drinks have gone up, but Khalil said, he was sure that those who could afford to smoke or own cars could manage the minimal increase of coats on a pack of cigarettes, or 3 cents on a litre of

The middle classes, involved in commerce or small landowners, are also the target of the government's tax policy.

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A survey this year discovered that 25 per cent of the people questioned did not pay taxes. A strict tax-collecting campaign was launched, earning the government \$ 3.4 billion which it hopes to raise

to \$ 4.5 billion in 1980. The budget allows for a 10 per cent increase in defense expenditure, which ran to \$ 8.43 billion in 1979. But with inflation in Egypt running at 25 per cent and going up to 40 per cent on some items, the small increase actually amounts to a decrease in military

Khalil stressed that this was the "first peace budget" following the signing of a peace treaty with Israel last March and the economy was no longer being drained. On the military budget he added that the armed forces had to be maintained in the face of the current events and the tense situation in the Middle East.

Part of the decrease in the deficit is due to discontinuing government spending on some supporting public sector institutions such as the Suez Canal Authority which earned \$ 570 million in

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1979 and expected to make \$ 701 million in 1980. As another savings measure the

government has decided to cut the presidency and cabinet expenditures by 50 per cent.

The government is also counting on a 56 per cent increase in revenue from oil, after it recently regained oil fields in the Sinai, handed over by Israel under the terms of the peace treaty. Oil revenues are expected to reach \$ 3.5 billion in 1980, according to Khalif's statement.

The government statement also claimed an economic growth rate of 9 per cent, "despite the Arab boycott of Egypt and thanks to financial and economic support from friendly nations, such as the U.S. and Western Europe".

Gamal El-Nazer, Egypt's state minister for economic cooperation, said in a radio interview that "although we have no official Arab aid next year, private Arab investment continues and has not been disrupted."

Seventeen Arab countries have broken diplomatic and economic ties with Egypt over its peace treaty with Israel, and the source of ready cash that used to flow from countries like Saudi Arabia has not been replaced. Although the United States gives Egypt \$ one billion in aid annually, it is all tied to specific projects.

Khalil said that with peace coming to Egypt many foreign investors were being drawn to participate in joint ventures with Egyp-

He said that 728 such projects had been approved, with a total capital of \$ three billion.

He also said the government had set aside 4.4 billion as investment appropriations for 1980, as opposed to \$ 3.6 billion in 1979.

But underlying Egypt's economic problems and eating away at any growth is it's population growth - 1 million babies born every year. Economists have warned that if unchecked the growth will absorb 66 per cent of all investments expected in Egypt until the year 2000.

Population growth plus the \$ 22 billion Egypt spent on the military between 1967 and 1973 make a heavy burden on the economy, and Khalil's statement to parliament did not attempt to skim over the issue.

We have problems, and this is how we offered to deal with them. If you have any suggestions or better ideas the cabinet will be happy to hear them. We have done our best," he said.

Parliament is to discuss the draft budget and give its reply and recommendations within four

#### Britain heading for recession, brokers firm says

LONDON, Dec. 17 (AP) -Britain is heading for a serious recession next year, with living standards falling 2 ½ per cent, the economy contracting by 2 per cent, and inflation hitting 20 per cent, a leading firm of stockbrok-

ers said Monday. The forecast by brokers Phillips and Drew predicted an increase of 400,000 in unemployment in the next 18 months. Currently 1.359 million persons are listed as unemployed in Britain, 5.6 per

cent of the work force. The report foresaw a 1980 balance of payments deficit of \$ 2.2 billion for 1980, despite rising production of British North Sea oil. The government has predicted a \$ 5.5 billion deficit for this year

and \$ 4.4 billion for next. At the same time, the brokers said, oil production will tend to keep the pound high and discourage exports. Recently the pound has been about \$ 2.20, compared to as little as \$ 1.56 three years

Adding to the gloomy picture, Phillips and Drew said Britain's spring budget is expected to contain a \$ 4.4 billion dose of deflation — combining government spending cuts and higher indirect taxes on alcohol, tobacco, and gasoline and other items. The inflation rate currently is 17.4 per

The report said Britain is suffering " high and rising inflation, an appalling current deficit, an exchange rate which is crippling the corporate sector while boosting import penetration, an interest rate structure which is deterring genuine investment without unecessarily curbing private sector loan demand, and an atmosphere of hostility between the unions and the government.

The stockbrokers criticized the six-month-old Conservative government's efforts to combat these

Sole reliance on interest rate movements to alter the structure of our economy and attitude to work, against this background. seems a somewhat inadequate response to the problems we

#### **Norwegians** to establish cruise line

OSLO, Dec. 17 (AP) - Three Norwegian shipping companies plan to form a new cruise line which will be among the largest in the world.

Den Norske Amerikalinje (NAL), Det Bergenske Dampskipsselskap and Det Nordenfjeldske Dampskipsselskap will call the new cruise company Royal Viking line, according to company

The three parent companies say they plan to transfer to Royal Viking Line their cruise vessels Sagafjord, Vistafjord, Royal Viking Star, Royal Viking Sky and Royal Viking Sda.

The aim is to cover all the important cruise markets from 1980. Each of the founder companies will have a one-third share of Royal Viking Line, said Managing Director Torstein Hagen of Det Bergenske Dampskipssels-

#### **U.S.** wants Japan to rally against Iran

TOKYO, Dec. 17, (AP) - U.S. Deputy Treasury Secretary Robert Carswell met with three top government leaders Monday and urged Japan's cooperation with U.S. economic measures against Iran aimed at freeing U.S. hostages in Tehran.

Carswell told Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira the Western countries, including Japan, must be united in coping with the problems arising from the crisis, officials of the foreign ministry said.

Ohira told Carswell that Japan and the United States have deepened their mutual understanding on the problems through talks, including Ohira's meeting last week with U.S. ambassador Mike Mansfield.

Ohira assured Carswell that the government will place tighter controls over purchases of Iranian oil by Japanese business firms on the high-price spot market. These purchases had brought U.S. criticism that Japan was undermining U.S. effforts to free the hostages.

Ohira also reiterated that the trust and friendship between Japan and the United States should remain unchanged.

Foreign Minister Saburo Okita told Carswell that Japan has to purchase Iranian crude oil at a time when major international oil companies are cutting supplies to Japan, although he understands American feelings.

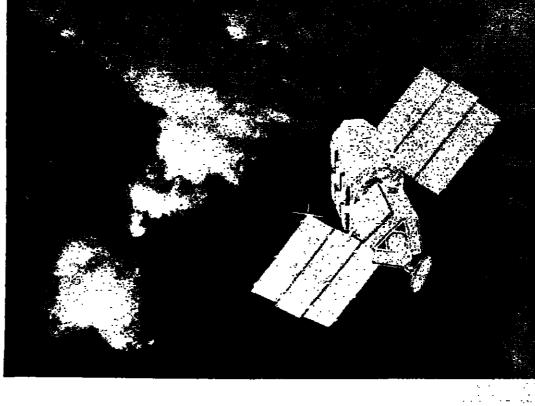
Japan depends almost entirely on imported oil.

Meeting with Finance Minister Noboru Takeshita, Carswell asked for Japanese cooperation with European countries in adopting economic sanctions against Iran as sanctions taken by the United States alone would not prove effective enough.

Takeshita replied that Japan's financial dealings with Iran were conducted basically by private business firms which would have to continue payments to Iran for their oil imports.

Takeshita added, however, that the government would try as much as possible to avoid problems for the United States. Based on Takeshita's state-

ments to Carswell, finance ministry officials said they will call for a meeting shortly with leading foreign exchange banks and other key banks to discuss financial dealings



NEW SATELLITE: The sun may be more than 193,000 miles away with temperatures reaching more than a million degress in the interior .... and a vast storehouse of nuclear explosions ... but scientists are still determined to find out even more of its secrets. And to this end an advanced satellite jam-packed with all the latest in research technology is soon to be sent in to outer space. Called the Solar Max (Solar Maximum Vission), the joint NASA/Grumman Aerospace project is an observatory satellite that provides a 300-mile high (482 kms) orbital view of the sun's activity. One of the main interests of the boffins is the solar flares. It has been estimated that one solar flare emits more energy than it takes to light the whole of New York City for one year! The two-year space project is said to be one of the most significant to be undertaken. Picture shows an artist's impression of the satellite.

#### Politics blamed for delay Can non-oil energy source be found?

LONDON, Dec. 17, (R) -Most scientists are confident that. when the oil finally runs dry, they can provide mankind with enough energy from other sources to ensure that civilization survives.

The crisis is not that other sources of fuel and the technology to tap them cannot be found. It is, instead, political in charac-

Will governments make up their minds before it is too late for alternatives to oil they want to invest in? Will they then raise the money to develop these energy

sources? Can they reconcile the people they govern to the changes in their life-style which will be needed particularly in the affluent Westif limited energy resources are to

be shared around the globe? Unless we do something drastic about the way we live, then all our talk about energy is just humbug " said Janez Stanovik, Yugoslav executive secretary of the United Nations economic com-

mission for Europe. The commission this month sponsored a little-publicized conference, of European, United States and Canadian officials, to start to assess how ways of life will soon need to change in the fuel guzzling societies of the industrial-

ized world. The motor car was branded as one of the principal villains. Worldwide, one fourth to one third of the oil pollution of oceans. rivers and beaches are attributable to car fuel production and use," one expert paper contended.

In fact, the motor car in some share or form will probably survive the energy crisis. Cars are already on the road that run - not on gasoline - but on hydrogen and on alcohol obtained from such

crops as sugar cane. The latter raises a moral issue: is it right in a world where millions go to bed hungry to turn over tracts of farmland to produce crops chiefly aimed at yielding fuel for rich men's cars?

The hydrogen lobby, on the

other hand, must contend with safely in combination with metal that fuel's bad public reputation. The blazing of the 1937 hydrogen-filled German airship Hindenburg etched itself on mank-

atile and unsafe. Actually, 62 of the 96 people aboard the Hindenburg survived the blaze. Nobody wants to ban kerosine, yet today's jet crashes regularly kill many more people than the Hindenburg did, in fires just as spectacular.

ind's consciousness so deeply that

hydrogen is still regarded as vol-

Under controlled conditions hydrogen is no less safe than any other comparable fuel," said Derek Gregory, British-born assistant vice-president for research at the Institute for Gas

Technology in Chicago. Problems do arise with storing the liquid hydrogen. It can be held alloys and released by raising the But a tank containing enough

hydrogen, mixed with alloy, to drive a car, say, 400 kilometers would need to be five times as big as a tank of the gasoline required to drive it the same distance.

Hydrogen is, however, lighter than gasoline. It is non-toxic and non-pollutant. Not only is it already powering experimental Daimler-Benz buses in the streets of Stuttgart, West Germany, but the U.S. Lockheed Corporation is well-advanced designing a hydrogen-fuelled airliner.

It seeks funds for a \$1.2 billion pilot network of cargo-carrying Lockheed L1011 "Tristar" planes which would operate between the United States and the Middle East, perhaps as soon as 1986.

# Bahrain becomes exporter of gas

BAHRAIN, Dec. 17 (R) -Bahrain became an exporter of liquefied petroleum gas and naphta with the inauguration Monday of a \$ 95-million g gathering and liquefaction pro

The Japanese-built plant, using gas from Bahrain's oil fields, will annually produce about three million barrels of propane, butane and naphtha. The Bahrain Perroleum Company (BAPCO) will buy the products.

The Bahrain National Oil Company (BANOCO) holds 75 per cent share in the gas project.
The remaining 25 per cent is shared by BAPCO and the Araba Petroleum Investment Corporation (APICORP).

The chairman of the Bahrain National Gas Company Hassan Fakhro said the cost of the gas project launched Monday was expected to be recovered in 10 months.

Bahrain's current daily crude oil output is 55,000 barrels, yielding 100 million cubic feet (28 million cubic meters), of gas which until now has been flared.

#### Egypt sends trade group to IMF talks

PARIS, Dec. 17 (R) - AII Egyptian delegation led by the Minister of Economy and Foreign: Trade Hamed Sayeh arrived here: to attend a meeting of the consul-tants group called by the World Bank to discuss Egypt's economic progress and what help it needs.

The meeting scheduled to begin

on Wednesday will be attended by Egypt's major financial donors including the United States, Britain, France, West Germany Japan and the International Monetary Fund

Egypt will present to the grou its economic development plan for the years 1980-1984 and see financial aid to implement it, the official Middle East News Agency reported it gave no further

#### Saudi Arabian **Government Tenders**

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	Drilling of four wells in Sadous, Ainah, Haer and Abu Jalal		37/1	500	Dec. 31
** **	Drilling of live wells in Bisha valley		38/1	500	Jan. 1
Municipality of Arar	Undertaking of town's cleaning and environmental health	·		200	Jan. 10
Directorate of Educa- tion, Al-Washm, Shaqraa	Construction of two schools in Al-Wash n area		8/17	100	Jan. 21
p. 11 14	Supply of sports equipment		7/17	Jan. 15	.; .;

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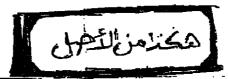
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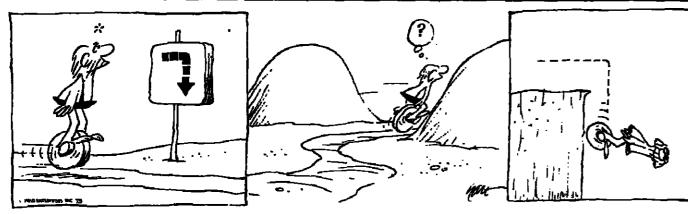
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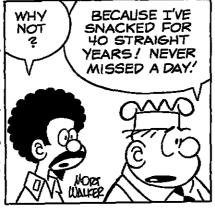


























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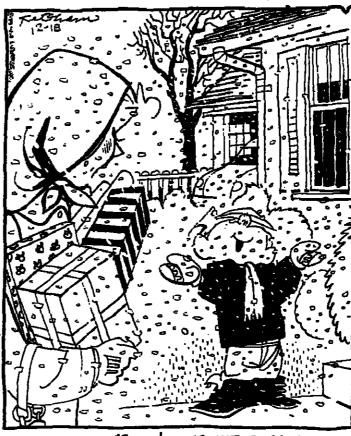
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**LONGFELLOW** 

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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Not only that, but East now had to return a club or yield a ruff and discard, enabling declarer to escape his other Kantar, miraculously, wound

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#### **ARAB NEWS CALENDAR**

#### **PRAYER TIMES**

Tuesday	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Assr	Maghreb	<b>Tsha</b>
Mecca	5:32	6:59	12:23	3:28	5:45	7:15
Medina	5:38	7:04	12:25	3:24	5:40	7:10
Nejd	5:04	6:34	11:52	2:51	5:07	6:37

#### **DHAHRAN TV**

Children's Show Safety Film Sanford And Son 6:25 Operation Petticoat 6:49 Oregon Trail 7:37 Man in a Suitcase Baretta 9:09 Warship

Sesame Street No. 1193 I'm no fool As A Pedestrian The Wedding Dooley is a Daddy Evan's Vendetta Find the Lady It's a Boy The Prize

#### VOA

#### P.M.

8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analyses 8:30 Dateline

News Summary 9:00 Special English: News: Feature. The Making of a Nation News Summary

9.30 Music USA: (Standards) 10:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities 10:05 Opening : Analyses

**News Summary** 10:30 VOC Magazine: America : Science : Cultural ; Letter 11:00 Special English; News

> 11:30 Music USA: (Jazz) **VOA WORLD REPORT**

Midnight

12:00 News newsmakers' voices correspondents reports background features media comments news analyses.

#### **SAUDI RADIO**

#### (English Service)

On FM at 98 Megahertz in 3.2 meter band On SW at 11.855 Vihz in 25 meter band On VIW at 1485 Kilohertz in 202 meter band

#### TUESDAY

3:40

Afternoon Transmission 2:00 Opening 2:01 Holy Quran 2:05 Gems of Guidance

2:10 Light Music 2:20 On Islam 2:30 Radio Viagazine 3:00 NEWS

3:10 Press Review 3:15 Viusic 3:20 World of Machines 3:30 A Slection of Music

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**Evening Transmission** 9:00 Opening 9:01 Holy Quran 9:05 Gems of Guidance

9:10 Light Viusic 9:15 Bouquet 9:45 Reflections of a Muslim 10:00 Islamic Contributions

10:10 Music 10:15 NEWS 10:25 S.A. A Daily Chronicle 10:30 The Evening Show

11:00 The World of the Guitar 11:10 11:15 In the Quiet

11:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams 12:00 Closedown

#### (French Service)

**Morning Transmission** 8:00 Ouverture

8:02 Lumiere sur le Coran 8:15 Musique

8:35 Varietes 8:45 Orient et Occident 8:55 Varietes 9:00 Informations 9:10 Lumiere sur les

8:30 Bonjour

les Informations 9:15 Varietes 9:30 Rapports humains en Islam 9:45 Musique

**Evening Transmission** 7:00 Ouverture

8:15 Jeuesse et Sport

7:02 Versets et Commentaire 7:15 Musique 7:30 Les Royaumes du Maghreb au Moyen Age 7:45 Coup de Chapeau

8:20 Varietes 8:30 Informations 8:40 Revue de Presse 8:45 Musique

8:55 Cloture

#### **BBC**

#### Morning Transmission

8.00 World News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary

8.30 Sarah Ward 8.45 World Today 9.00 Newsdesk 9.30 Opera Star 10.00 World News

10.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary 10.30 Sarah Ward 10.45 Something to Show You 11.00 World News

11.09 Reflestions 11.15 Piano Style 11.30 Brain of Britain 1978 12.00 World News

12.09 British Press Review

12.15 World Today 12.30 Financial News 12.40 Look Ahead 12.45 The Tony Myatt Evening Transmission

1.15 Ulster in Focus

1.30 Discovery 2.00 World News 2.09 News about Britain 2.15 Alphabet of Musical Curios

2.30 Sports International 2.40 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Promende Concert 3.45 Sports Round-up 4.00 World News

#### 4.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary 4.30 The Pleasure's Yours

5.15 Report on Religion 6.00 Radio Newsreel 6.15 Outlook 7.00 World News 7.09 Commentary

7.15 Sherlock Holmes 7.45 World Today 8.00 World News 8.09 Books and Writers 8.30 Take One

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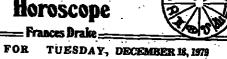
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1.09 World Today

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#### Your Individual Horoscope



the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

Be careful of overindulgence at an office party.
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What kind of day will

tomorrow be? To find out what

The holiday spirit has you in the mood for travel. Consult with loved ones re same. TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) You're in the mood for good times but may lack discrimination in your choice of companions. Double check business proposals. GEMINI

(May 21 to June 20) You could overspend re a planned entertainment. Romance is highlighted, but be sure to follow through on commitments. Be sincere.

(June 21 to July 22) Don't take a loved one for granted. Careless speech could arouse false hopes. A hunch re work pays off if you're willing to work over-

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) OCCA You could be careless with money now. Romance, is favored, but don't put off work that needs to be completed. Share thoughts. VIRGO

VIRGO
(Ang. 23 to Sept. 22)
You're inclined to overspend on presents for loved

you dreamed of. decorative touches or other improvements. (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Don't leave all the work for

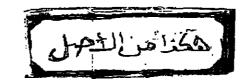
loved ones. Do your part around the house. Laziness makes you content to let things slide. Write letters. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Friends are exuberant but may promise more than they can deliver. Do the proper

research re investment schemes. Get appraisals re valuables. SAGITTARIUS . (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A business associate is in a good mood, but be skeptical re promises. Protect assets. Dress appropriately for a

social occasion. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Sentiment could lead you to make an unnecessary trip. Make certain that words of love sent your way are sincere. Rely on intuition:

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) If you borrow something, make sure that you take care of it. A social occasion is promising, but keep hopes within reasonable bounds. PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

You'll receive support from higher-ups re a business hunch. Close ones may have good intentions but may not live up to expectations.





# Dog of war

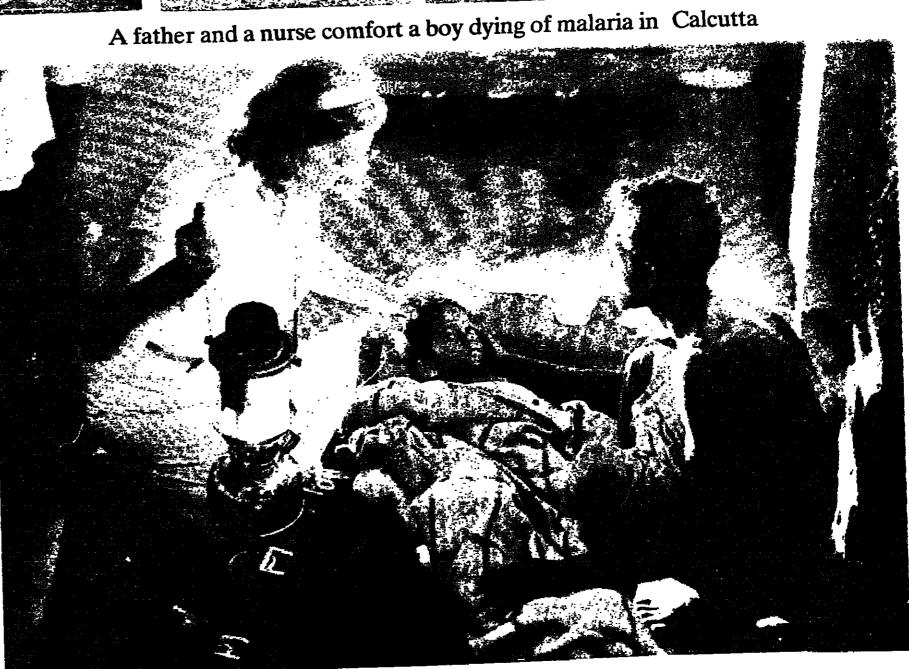
Twice wounded in action and soon to be decorated, D7-7-777, is the longest serving soldier in Northern Ireland is Rats, a dog. In July of 1978, a car bomb exploded and, though Rats survived, a piece of shrapnel embedded itself in his leg, a wound which still makes him limp slightly. In February of 1979, another car bomb covered him with blazing fuel and again he survived. He serves with the 1st Battalion Welsh Guards in bitterly contested Crossmaglen

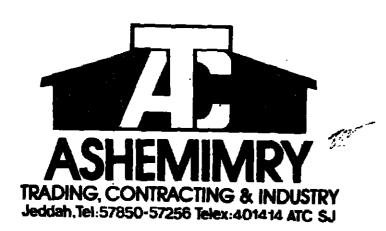






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After new offer to Front

# Britain optimistic on Rhodesia peace prospects

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Agencies) - Two days after the Rhodesia peace conference officially ended, Britain Monday was still waiting to hear whether guerrilla leaders would accept ceasefire terms.

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Military experts held more talks on the latest ceasefire proposal and later both sides spoke optimistically of a settlement this

"I think we will be initialling an agreement this week," Willie Musarurwa, spokesman for the Patriotic Front guerrillas, said. "It's a question of give and take," he added.

The latest British proposal - which they are calling a final offer—will give the guertil-las 16 bases for assembling their forces after a "This goes a long way to solving the prob-

lem," Musarurwa said. But he gave no clue precisely when full agreement could be

British officials were buoyed by the fact that at Monday's meeting the guerrillas made no new demands.

The guerrillas' rivals - a coalition of moderate blacks and white settlers backed by a 45,000-strong army - have agreed to British terms and their delegation returned to Salisbury on Saturday.

After 14 weeks of negotiation, the guerrillas have accepted the British peace plan in principle, including a new constitution and conditions for fresh elections under a British

The final make-or-break issue has become the number one location of the ceasefire camps where guerrillas will be housed and fed



FRUITS OF WAR: In Salisbury, Rhodesia, the war has meant that even Santa Claus comes escorted by an armored car.

by Britain during the election campaign. The Patriotic Front claim the British have underestimated the size of their forces which they put at 31,000 - and chosen remote camps far from the center of popula-

Complaining of unfair treatment guerrilla leaders Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe have pointed out that the sites of the Rhodesian forces' ceasefire camps are in the strategic heartlands of the country. The British concession could bring about a Rhodesian peace pact this week, although the

conference aimed at achieving a pact officially ended Saturday. British officials said they were hopeful of

persuading Patriotic Front guerrilla leaders Nkomo and Mugabe to initial the cease-fire plan Monday, ready for a full signing ceremony Wednesday when British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington returns from Washington. The proposal doesn't sound like much, but

the guerrillas could be easily isolated. But the 16th site is in the tribal heartland northwest of Gwelo, and the British said they are ready to increase the total number of sites if 16 prove inadequate to contain all the guerrillas, estimated at more than 30,000. The

the place is all important. The Front said the

first sites chosen were near the borders where

guerrillas wanted 31 sites. British newspapers openly speculate that Nkomo and Mugabe, who lead rival forces based on tribal divisions, are maneuvering for the best positions on the ground for an inevit-

able power struggle. Support for that view was expressed in Salisbury Sunday by Deputy Premier Silas Mundawarara, who predicted the rivals will try to "exterminate each other and divide our country into geographical or ethnic con-

stituencies." Nkomo and Mugabe, however, demonstrated close collaboration during the 14week, tripartite conference in London. They agreed with Britain and the Rhodesian biracial government on a constitution providing for elections and an end to white minority

The colony is now back under British rule with the arrival in Salisbury of Governor Lord Soames. He hopes for implementation of a cease-fire early in the new year so that peaceful elections can be held at the end of February, leading to an African government.

privileges, but they refused last week to sign

Rhodesia's white minority government under Premier Ian Smith rebelled in 1965 when Britain pressed for progress toward African majority rule. The guerrillas in turn battled the 12,000-strong white-led armed forces under Smith and his successor, African Bishop Abel Muzorewa.

U.S. President Jimmy Carter followed Britain Sunday and revoked U.S. economic sanctions against Rhodesia.

The trade and currency barriers had been endorsed by the United Nations. But although they made life difficult for the colony, there was enough covert sanctionsbreaking to keep the economy alive.

The classic English expression — "me and my big mouth." Or, "every time you open your mouth you put your foot in it." Or, developing this last expression nicely, and as I heard an American politician once describing an opponent, "He only opens his mouth to change feet."

The reader of course will have his or her own samples of horrors inflicted and received in this way. A prime example is that of the man at a social gathering who turns to the lady next to him to say, "Look at that poor girl over there. Can you imagine such ugliness?" Then the lady answers angrily. "This is my daughter you are talking about." To which the apologetic gent replies — "Oh, I am sorry. I should have noted the resemblance."

Under such rubric we can put thoughtlessness in general, jumping without proper consideration for the consequences. Like when you buy your kid a pair of boxing glove, then, telling him to put them on, you say. "Come on, use all your force." Only to be knocked clean out before you finished your sentence.

Or, you see the nice old lady next door carrying her shopping bag and volunteer to help. Only to discover that the old dear must have started an iron smelting business, and this is the first 500 tons of ore she is taking back home with her.

ble and barely avoiding the city, Italian offi-

cials reported Monday. Three crewmen para-

The plane, whose type was not immedi-

ately known, was from the aircraft carrier

Nimitz of the U.S. 6th fleet in the Mediterra-

chuted to safety, but the fourth died.

nean, officials said.

Most men live to feel that the greates "big mouth" or "foot in mouth episode is that fatal "Yes" in front of sheikh or a priest after which they look around in panic, knowing that it is too late - Many women, I am sure, feel this, bu they are far too kind to admit it. The most important type of "

mouth," and the most hard to stop, is the Freudian Slip. This is when a repressed thought - some times the opposite of what you think you mean - suddenly surfaces before you can push it back. The truth then comes out - not always pretty sight. A relatively harmless example of the

came out in an auction. The auctioneer banging his hammer for the third time shouts: " Sold to the lady in the third row - the one whose husband is tring to A more sinister example came out from

the last Arab summit in Tunis, when the Lebanese president was speaking. Suddenly he was heard to blurt " the PLO aggression against Israel, "Then he stopped, and looked around, and corrected himself - But the harm was done. Yasser Aradat of the PLO stood to say that this was no mere mistake but an authente Freudian Stip, where the truth comes on That this was the reality of the official Lebanese stand.

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## Carter, Mrs. Thatcher meet

## U.S., U.K. discuss Iran crisis, Rhodesia

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (Agencies) -British Prime Vinister Vargaret Thatcher was to open talks with President Jimmy Carter at the White House Monday with Iran, Northern Ireland and Rhodesia expected to be the main topics.

Mrs. Thatcher arrived in Washington Sunday night on her first trip to the United States since taking over as prime minister last May.

Mrs. Thatcher is likely to seek more American help for British efforts to end the violence in Northern Ireland. Carter has said the United States will try to stop contributions of money and arms from Irish-Americans for the Irish Republican Army (IRA) guerrillas.

Mrs. Thatcher also wants the United States to resume sales of police weapons to the Royal Ulster Constabulary, Northern Ireland's police force, the sales were halted earlier this year after protests from Irish-American groups.

The two leaders are expected to agree on Rhodesia since the United States has already. like Britain, lifted sanctions. The United States has strongly backed British efforts to reach a peace settlement with all parties in

British and American officials agreed that the two leaders' scheduled two, hour talks would focus largely on the crisis in Iran. Carter is seeking international cooperation in imposing economic sanctions if Iran does not release the 50 hostages held in Tehran since

BELFAST. Dec. 17 (Agencies) - The

provisional Irish Republican Army (IRA)

has marked its 10th anniversary by killing

five British soldiers and declaring there will

A landmine planted near Dungannon kil-

led four soldiers travelling in a Land-Rover

Sunday and a fifth on foot patrol, was killed

by an explosion at Forkhill Village. The IRA

fighting to end British rule in Northern Ire-

land, said in an interview with the Dublin

Sunday Press that the guerrillas would not

declare a Christmas truce, as they did bet-

supplies and knowledge to carry on the strug-

gie," he told the newspaper's Northern Ire-

August when the IRA killed 18 British troops

in a bomb and gun ambush at Warrenpoint

near the province's border with the Irish

Sunday IRA gunmen also killed a former

On Dec. 16, 1969, militants anxious to

Since then, 327 British soldiers have been

The IRA leader said "no comment" when

wage a guerrilla war to oust Britain formed

killed, 38 of them this year, Britain has some

asked by the Dublin Sunday Press reporter

whether the guerrillas would carry out

thwarted an IRA bombing campaign in Eng-

land by arresting 24 people under anti-

terrorism laws. They also seized bomb-

Informed sources here said four of those

British police said last week that they had

13,000 troops in the province.

attacks on Britain at Christmas.

detonating equipment.

member of the Ulster Defense Regiment, a

locally-recruited unit of the British Army.

"We have all the manpower, firepower,

Sunday's attacks were the worst since

An unidentified leader of the IRA which is

be no Christmas ceasefire.

claimed responsibility.

ween 1972 and 1975.

land editor.

Republic

the IRA.

IRA kills five soldiers in Ulster



Nov. 4.

Thus far, Mrs. Thatcher has been firm in her expressions of support for the U.S. position. The British have refrained from increasing purchases of Iranian oil and have cut off arms shipments to Iran.

But the British may be reluctant to take additional steps, according to Sir Nicholas Henderson, the British Ambassador here. Henderson told reporters recently the Brit-

ish do not believe any boycott will be successful unless it is universally observed. He expressed doubt the Soviet Union

would cooperate. The Russians could veto a resolution for sanctions in the United Nations Vows to continue violence

detained were IRA members who could have

been planning to assassinate a leading figure

in terms of a long struggle. We don't speculate how long it will take," the IRA leader

London's Times newspaper reported Brit-

Sunday's killings were swiftly condemned in Dublin by Ireland's new prime minister,

Charles Haughey, whose anti-IRA state-

ments since taking office Dec. 11 have been

He outlawed the IRA's provisional wing,

The IRA is an almost exclusively Roman

Military sources estimated the Dungannon

bomb, of between 600 and 1,000 pounds of

explosive was hidden in a culvert along a

country road about two miles outside the

patrol was blown off the road and the four

soldiers inside instantly killed, all were mem-

bers of the Air Defense Regiment of the

was a member of the 2nd Parachute Regi-

ment on foot patrol with a colleague. The

Haughey, 54, a hard-line Irish nationalist,

succeeded the retiring Jack Lynch as leader

of the Fianna Fail Party and Ireland's prime

minister. He has since condemned IRA viol-

ence but opposition leaders have questioned

his sincerity.
"It is tragic that these men should lose their

lives in such circumstances. Their deaths

reproach us all," Haughev said of the killings.

The soldier who died in the second blast

The lead Land-Rover of the two-vehicle

which claimed responsibility for the first

bomb ambush and was suspected of the sec-

questioned by members of the opposition.

ish army speculation that the IRA is planning

a campaign lasting seven to 10 years.

"We have conditioned our people to think

in London. Police refused all comment

was quoted as saying.

Catholic movement.

Royal Artillery.

other soldier was injured.

Security Council. Because they share a common border with Iran, they also could thwart any allied effort to deny food or other commodities to Iran through a trade embargo.

Furthermore, Henderson said, the British probably would have to pass special legislation to observe an embargo, and the British courts might foil any effort to pressure Iran through a banking freeze.

But, senior State Department officials have been firm in expressing their confidence Britain will support the next phase in the American effort to win release of the hos-

The prospects for Anglo-American cooperation were improved Saturday when Carter ordered termination of sanctions against Rhodesia.

In doing so, he acted in accordance with Mrs. Thatcher's wishes and against the advice of some members of his administration, including Donald McHenry, U.S. ambas-

sador to the United Nations. VicHenry urged unsuccessfully that the administration wait until the Security Council acted to end the sanctions, becau it was the council that enacted the sanctions in the first

But the British argued strongly that once their new governor, Lord Soames, arrived in Salisbury last week, the country reverted to the status of a colony. The efore, they said. maintaining sanctions was tantamount to using them against Britain itself.

Mrs. Thatcher's one-day visit to Washington was to include an appearance on Capitol Hill, a news conference and a state dinner at the White House. Tuesday, she planned to fly to New York for a quick visit to the United Nations and a tour of an Exxon Research Facility in Linden, New Jersey.

#### **India leading** in Bombay Test with Pakistan

BOMBAY, Dec. 17 (R) — India took a firm grip on the third cricket Test here Monday and Pakistan struggled to avoid a

The tourists had six down for 112 at the close of the second days play. Earlier India had taken their total to 334. The tailenders dashed Pakistan's hopes of wrapping up the innings quickly. The last four wickets added 102 runs to the overnight 232.

India's bowlers then knocked the heart out of the visitors' batting. Roger Binny, playing in his third Test, struck first, taking wickets in his second and third overs, Majid Khan, whose top score in five innings in this series is 40, was caught behind, sparring at a ball outside the onstump.

Zaheer Abbas, aiming at the covers, was then bowled by a ball coming into him. Mudassar Nazar and Javed Miandad

helped Pakistan recover to reach 42 for two at the tea break. But 11 runs later the tourists gloomily watched Nazar and Miandad fall within the space of four runs. Wasim Raja was the next to be dismissed,

caught by Vishwanath off spinner Dilip Doshi for 24. Raja would have been out when he had

made 15 if Binny had held on to a return catch. The attempt to take the catch injured Binny's fingers, forcing him to stay off the field for the rest of the afternoon.

Binny turned in the best bowling performance with three wickets for 45 runs. Doshi chipped in with two for 25.

#### Local elections Lisbon rightists win again

LISBON. Dec 17; AP) - Portugal scenter-right appeared headed for a second national election victory in two weeks Monday as vote counting from the country's Sunday local polls gave the Democratic Alliance parties led by lawyer Francisco sa Carneiro, nearly 50 per cent of the

The National Election Center reported the Alliance, made up of the Social Democrat, Center Democrat and tiny monarchist parties, had polled 27.1 per cent of the vote with only 188 of the nation's 4,042 town councils still to be tabulated.

The parties also ran on separate tickets in several locations, adding the Social Democrats' 14.9 per cent, Center Democrats' per cent and the monarchists' 0.1 per cent for a total 48.3 per cent of the national

The tally was up from the three parties' combined total of 40 per cent in the last local elections three years ago and followed the Alliance's first success in Portuguese parliamentary balloting two

With voter abstention at 26.4 per cent, the Socialists of moderate forn Prime Minister Mario Soares suffered their second major defeat of the month. The party which governed the country through two governments from 1976 to 1978 managed to capture only 27.1 per cent of the vote, down 6.1 per cent from their 1976 33.2 per cent

As in the parliamentary polling, the Soviet-line Communists of Alvaro Cunhal joined the Democratic Alliance in picking up support from voters disillusioned with Socialist rule during a period of high inflation and unemployment. The Communist coalition with the small Portuguese Democratic Movement, the United People's Alliance, rose to 20.1 per cent of the vote, up from their 15.7 per cent tally of

#### Rocket car

#### Nev try set on records

ROGERS LAKE, California, Dec. 17 (R) — Missile-powered hollswood stuntman Stan Barret was to try once again Monday to become the first man to break the sound barrier on land. An attempt by Barrett Sunday

on this dry lake bed failed before it really started when he couldn't ignite the rocket. Barrett must force his 60,000-

horse-power red rocket vehicle to a speed of about 750 miles an hour (1,206 kph), depending on the temperature to break the sound barrier. He will have the extra boost of an air-to-air Sidewinder missile. "If we don't break through the

barrier today, we probably won't try again until next June or July because the rainy season is coming," the vehicle's owner, Hal Needham, told reporters.

"This is going to be one last, big try and I promise you, we will get to 10 to 15 miles on either side of the barrier speed," he added,

In a series of runs which began last September. Barrett built up to a land record speed of 699,774 paration for his attempt on the sound barrier.

Needham, a former stunt man who directed the films Smokey and the Bandit, and Hooper said Barrett had reached 714 miles an bour last Saturday, according to U.S. Air Force radar measurement. The official speed is based on three sets of computer-timing devices said to be accurate to a millionth of a second.

Crew experts said Barrett would go through the sound barrier with a supersonic bang. But chief engineer Bill Fredrick said the shock wave generated in front of the vehicle would be weak when it reflected back and bounced off the bottom of the vehicle.

Engineers estimated each run by the \$ 800,000 three-wheeler cost about \$ 10,000.

This consists of \$ 6,000 for the fuel, a mixture of solid rocket fuel and hydrogen peroxide, \$ 2,000 for a Sidewinder missile, which adds 12,000 horsepower to the main rocket and \$ 2,000 for a rocket nozzle, which has to be replaced for each run.

U.S. Navy air crash kills one

The body of the victim, earlier believed PALERMO, Sicily, Dec. 17 (AP) — A U.S. military plane carrying a crew of four have parachuted to safety, was found of Monte Pellegrino, authorities said. crashed on uninhabited houses near this Sicilian capital after developing engine trou-

The plane flew low over Palermo is tisoned its fuel into the sea, and tried to mak it in the city airport before crashing Sunda

Officials quoted the crew as saying the believed the fourth crew member, who w not identified, also parachuted to safet

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